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A growing effort

BILL PATT looks at some of the offerings at last Saturday's "Save Baxter Creek" plant sale. Rosemary Loubal of the Friends of Baxter Creek reports that the event was a blooming success. Loubal said that between sales and donations, nearly \$1,000 was raised and donated to the group. "I think we're off on a good start to make this a real neighborhood park," she said. Friends of Baxter Creek is a local group affiliated with the Urban Creeks Council, a nonprofit agency devoted to preserving and restoring urban creeks. For more information about the group, call Maryann Aberg at 236-5351 or Lisa Owens-Viani at 237-7968.

Residents look at swim center reality, possibilities

By J.R. Deaton

EL CERRITO — More than 34 people got together for a strange kind of pool party last weekend. There were no bikinis or Speedo swim trunks, but there were pool consultants, aquatic architects and designers, scores of pictures of the crumbling swim center, a guided tour of the facility, sodas, pastries, little sandwiches and orange juice.

Participants of Saturday's swim center community design workshop heard an assessment of the swim center's condition by consultant RJM Design Group Inc. and then worked in groups to develop their own vision for the swim center's future look and design. The workshop lasted nearly five hours.

After hearing the consultants' presentation and touring the swim center and environs, the participants broke into three groups and used large blueprint plans, marking pens, construction paper and other aids to overlay what they would like to see at the El Cerrito Swim Center.

"Where's the vision?" asked El Cerrito Allen Ling, who presented the views of one of the citizen groups. Ling said the group asked about the "scope" and the "vision" needed to renew the swim center. "Do we become our own unique community," Ling asked, or another city with an "auto row and Pep Boys and McDonald's."

All three citizen groups emphasized the need to bring the swim center up to current legal health and safety code.

The consulting architects found more than 31 code violations and another 24 potential code violations in their inspection of the swim center. Violations run the gamut from poorly located electrical junction boxes to ramps that are too steep to poor pool deck drainage and a filter backwash system that currently empties into the storm sewer.

There are code violations or potential problems throughout the swim center, including in and around both the large lap pool and the small pool, in the mechanical systems of the swim center, in the



STEVE MASLANKA

THE EL CERRITO Swim Center was the focus of a workshop Saturday. Pat Caffel was one visitor looking over the consultant's report.

boiler room and in both the women's and the men's locker rooms.

A larger main pool and one or two smaller pools for wading and therapy were also suggested by the groups. One group suggested a smaller north-end pool be enclosed with glass or some other appropriate opaque material to retain warmth, reduce water evaporation and provide for comfortable year-round use.

Increased lighting around the pools and in the parking area and adding bike racks close to the building were other suggestions.

Relocating the pump room and making it more accessible was a popular suggestion, as were plans to remodel and improve the dressing and shower rooms and suggestions to have a snack bar or concession stand outside near the pools.

There was also a suggestion to install speed bumps in the community center's parking area to prevent people from using it as a speedy thoroughfare from Moeser Lane to Portola Drive.

There was some talk, but no apparent consensus, about scaling back or modifying the putting green which currently occupies the northernmost part of the community center.

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Injury accident on Marin Avenue

By James Carter

ALBANY — One woman was hospitalized after a near head-on collision Sunday, Aug. 1, at the busy corner of Masonic and Marin avenues.

According to Albany Police Officer Ted Allen, the driver of a blue Toyota Corolla apparently failed to yield the right of way to an oncoming Oldsmobile traveling east at 4:45 p.m.

The Toyota driver, a Berkeley woman, reportedly tried to turn south across traffic and slammed her automobile into the right front side of the Olds. The passenger of the eastbound car, an elderly woman from Napa, was injured in the crash.

The fire department responded quickly to calls, placed a brace on the injured woman's neck then carefully leaned her into a gurney. Paramedics transported the woman to Kaiser Emergency in Oakland.

The driver of the Oldsmobile, an elderly woman from Vallejo, also complained of injuries, as did both the passenger and driver of the Toyota.



JAMES CARTER

A RESCUE WORKER checks with the driver of the Oldsmobile.

The busy intersection was tied up for 15 minutes as paramedics cared for the injured, police surveyed the damage and interviewed those involved. Both drivers had a female passenger aboard at the time of the collision.

Traffic on Marin Avenue has been the subject of an ongoing controversy as neighbors have long complained about speeding, accidents, and close calls up and down the mile-long thoroughfare. Most commuters consistently drive on the avenue at speeds well over the posted 25 mph speed limit.

But according to Allen, speeding was not a factor in Sunday's collision.

Unsafe at any speed?

The Albany Traffic Commission is currently discussing plans to slow traffic on Marin, considering several contentious plans.

One proposal born of a recently completed traffic study suggests re-striping Marin from four lanes to three, one lane going east and west and a middle left-turn lane. That plan would also create a bike lane on the avenue.

Another proposal calls for at least one additional traffic light on Marin and suggests that lights be timed to stagger traffic, forcing drivers to obey the speed limit. Supporters and opponents of both measures and those who oppose any changes whatsoever generally agree that many commuters often reach speeds in

El Cerrito trash fees hiked

By J.R. Deaton

EL CERRITO — No matter how you pile it, garbage collection in the city is going to cost a little more beginning Sept. 1.

Acting on a request from East Bay Sanitary Company Inc., and following city staff recommendations, the City Council on Monday approved a 10 percent garbage collection rate increase to be phased in over two years.

On Sept. 1, the monthly collection rate on all can sizes, from the 20-gallon mini can to the 65-gallon cart container, will increase 5 percent. The rate will increase another 5 percent across the board on Sept. 1, 2000.

The monthly mini-can collection rate

will increase 58 cents to \$12.52 next month and another 57 cents to \$13.09 in September, 2000. The standard 35-gallon can rate will increase to \$19 next month, up from \$18.03, and then to \$19.95 in September, 2000. The 65-gallon container rate will increase \$1.94 to \$38.00 next month and another \$1.90 to \$39.90 in September, 2000.

Additionally, the commercial bulk refuse collection rate in El Cerrito will increase from \$11 to \$13.75 per cubic yard next month and then to \$14.88 in September of next year.

According to a report presented to the council by Integrated Waste Services Manager Becky Dowdakin, the rate in-

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EC will show its artistic side

County project will ultimately result in public art installation here

By J.R. Deaton

EL CERRITO — Art comes in all shapes and sizes, and El Cerrito hopes an 8-foot by 2-foot, three-sided column will help the community honor its past and imagine its future.

As part of the Contra Costa County's Arts Millennium celebration at the Concord Pavilion, volunteers in the city will decorate a column to be part of a Stonehenge-like structure to be readied this fall for public display.

The El Cerrito community column art project is being organized by local artists and two local groups, Celebrating Culture and Community and Sustainable El Cerrito. Other cities in the county are preparing their own columns to be part of the Arts Millennium celebration.

The theme of the project is "honoring the past ... imagining the future," and the Concord celebration is to showcase "the richness and diversity of the arts and culture in the county," supporters said.

"The three-sided column can be adorned with photo collage, painting, written impressions, mosaic, or any medium we decide on," said Lori Dair of Sustainable El Cerrito. "The size and the shape of the columns is all standard."

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Musical fun at library

Albany kids are invited to join Bonnie Lockhart in an upbeat singalong, a program of music and games on Tuesday Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Edith Stone Room of the Albany Library, 1247 Marin Ave. The fun is sponsored by the Friends of the Albany Library.

WORTH CHECKING OUT

Blake Garden meeting

A public meeting and presentation of a revised plan for Blake Garden, the 10-acre Kensington property operated for teaching and research by the UC Berkeley School of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Design, will be held Monday, Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda. The meeting was originally scheduled to be held at UC Berkeley's Wurster Hall, but was relocated at the request of community members. Assistant professor Patricia Lindley, director of Blake Garden, will present the revised plan, and public comment will follow.

'Guys & Dolls'

There is still time to catch the Contra Costa Civic Theatre production of "Guys & Dolls" running through Aug. 14 and directed by Jeff Seaberg. Summertime lands us in magical New York City with the rascal Nathan Detroit. His motives are dicey when he makes his bet with Sky Masterson and everyone winds up with more than they bargained for. This classic musical won unanimous raves from critics and nabbed five Tony awards when it opened on Broadway in 1950. Tickets: Adults \$12, Youth (18 and under) \$6. Performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. July 18 and 25, August 1 and 8 only, at the Contra Costa Civic Theatre, 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito. For reservations call (510) 524-9132.

Tilden farm fun

Dave Zuckermann shows kids age 3 and up how it feels to be a farmer on Saturday from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Tilden Park Natural Area. Find out how it feels to be a farmer: grind corn, feed the animals, and press apples for fresh cider. That same day, from 7-8:30 p.m., about the time the sun sets behind the hills, Zuckermann will lead kids age 5 and up as they walk softly in the woods and listen to the sounds of nightfall. Both events are free. Details: (510) 525-2233

East Bay old times

Robin Grossinger of San Francisco Estuary Institute talks about his research on the East Bay in pre-pioneer days at the Friends of Five Creeks meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 2, downstairs at Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin. People with "old time" family memories of fish runs, creeks, beaches, etc. are especially welcome. Contact 510-412-7257 or f5creeks@aol.com for information.

Art on display

Pastel drawings of clouds and El Cerrito curbs by Trudy Vilaska are on display at the El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave., through Sept. 15. Vilaska, a retired Albany school teacher, holds a degree in fine arts from Skidmore College. She has worked for the Metropolitan Museum of Art, art-supplies manufacturer Binney & Smith Inc. and Lever Brothers Company. The artist's works are in private collections and in galleries in this country and Japan. The El Cerrito Library, located in open Monday noon-8 p.m., Tuesday 1-6 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Friday and Saturday 1-5 p.m. It is closed Wednesday, Sunday and holidays.

Hornblower Ball coming

The Bay Area English Regency Society presents the "Hornblower Ball" on Saturday, Aug. 28, at the Arlington Community Center, 52 Arlington Ave. in Kensington. The society will recreate a party aboard a British fighting frigate during the Napoleonic Wars. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and dancing will begin at 8 p.m. Costumed guests, refreshments, nautical songs, toasts and period card games will add to the enjoyment. Lady Hamilton has promised to entertain Capt. Hornblower's guests with her famous "Attitudes!" The event is being co-sponsored by the Greater Bay Area Costumers' Guild, the Napoleonic Alliance, the Sharpe Appreciation Society and Brigade Napoleon. Tickets: \$14 in advance, \$16 at the door. Costumes and dance partners are not required. For information, call 1-415-931-5775.

Preschool yard sale

Over two dozen families have cleaned out their closets and garages to create a huge yard sale to raise funds to buy educational equipment for their preschool. The yard sale will be held on Saturday, Aug. 7, at Rainbow Hill Preschool from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. located at 7075 Cutting Blvd., two blocks south of Arlington Boulevard in El Cerrito. A wide variety of furniture, clothing, and toys for infants, toddlers and young children will be featured at the sale. Families with children who typically outgrow their clothes and shoes every couple of months will find many bargains and choices. The goal of the sale is to help bring more educational play equipment into the school. Details: 237-8916.

Representative needed

Albany residents are being sought to apply for the vacancies of Board of Edu-

cation representative to the City of Albany Park and Recreation Commission. A letter of interest form must be submitted to the Board of Education, Albany Unified School District, 904 Talbot Ave., Albany, 94706, no later than Friday, Aug. 6. The Board of Education plans to appoint the representative at its meeting of Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Watercolor California '99

El Cerrito artists will participate in "Watercolor California '99" an exhibition of more than 200 paintings by 12 award-winning artists, Aug. 7 through 29. On display in the Exhibit Hall at Jack London Village, Alice Street and the Embarcadero, across from the Amtrak Station on Oakland's historic waterfront, the exhibit is open daily 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. A reception to meet the artists will be held on Sunday, Aug. 8, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Details: 234-5028 or 782-1948.

Storytime, story quilters

Twilight Storytime with Paul Rockwell at the Albany Library takes place Tuesday Aug. 3, at 7 p.m. The free program is for ages 3 to 6. Other storytimes are Aug. 17 and Aug. 24. The Friends of the Albany Library will feature the Story Quilters, a program of World Folk Tales for all ages this Wednesday, Aug. 4 at 7 p.m.

Acrylics and watercolors

"Painting Myself," an exhibit of paintings by Christine Curtis using acrylics on paper will be exhibited through Aug. 31 at the Gallery of the Center for Psychological Studies. Curtis uses a process of automatic painting similar to that used by the early surrealists. Her paintings are on display each weekday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., excepting 12 to 1, at the Gallery for the Center for Psychological Studies, located at 1398 Solano Avenue in Albany. Also on exhibit is "Dream Imagery," an exhibit of prints of watercolors by Jon Larsen through July 31. Details: 524-0291.

Weed warriors wanted

Keep spiny, invasive yellow star thistle out of the new East Shore State Park. Help Weed Warriors of the East Bay pull out these pest plants, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. Meet at Marina Blvd. just north of University Ave. (opposite the Berkeley Marina). Wear long pants; bring work gloves if you have them. Dogs are welcome. For information call Virginia Harrison, 510-237-5287, or email susan-schwab@aol.com.

Team waits for skies to clear and then go dark

Albany astrophysics student checks in from Romania

By James Carter

After visiting one of Dracula's castles in Romania Aug. 1, Albany resident Misa Cowee is preparing for the moment when the day will turn to night.

A student of astrophysics at Williams College in Massachusetts, Cowee is part of a select team of sci-

entists and students preparing to observe the sun's corona during a total solar eclipse Aug. 11.

The scientific crew began the journey to Ramnicu-Vilcea July 27. Upon their arrival in Romania, after some tense moments, the 20-member crew cleared customs and upon their arrival at the Alutus Hotel, were unexpectedly greeted by television crews.

"We've taken over two suites," Cowee said. "Both rooms are filled with equipment and boxes that contain telescopes, computers, cameras and other scientific equipment."

The scientific study is part by the National Society, NASA and the Science Foundation. Some of the mysteries of the sun's atmosphere.

The group initially had bad weather, according to Rain temporarily delayed set up equipment for which will be visible in a small swath of Eastern Europe.

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Quintet arrested in series of auto burglaries

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — On the morning of July 28 a resident on the 600 block of Jackson Street reported that during the night thieves had broken into her black '97 Honda Civic and stole numerous items. Two residents on the 800 block of Hillside and four residents on the 700 block of Taft Street also reported that their cars had been broken into and items stolen. Albany officers learned that El Cerrito police had five suspects in custody who were apprehended for similar offenses in El Cerrito. They also had evidence linking the group to the robberies on Jackson, Taft and Hillside streets. Arrested were a 42-year-old Albany man, a 19-year-old Hercules man, an 18-year-old Oakland man, a 16-year-old Oakland girl and a 15-year-old Oakland girl.

On the afternoon of July 25 officers responded to reports of a bike being stolen from the 1300 block of Solano Avenue. Officers located the bike and the thief, a 14-year-old Richmond boy, and arrested him. He was transported to Juvenile Hall.

At about 7:15 p.m. on July 25 Albany officers responded to the 700 block of Jackson Street on reports of juveniles smashing bottles of peppermint schnapps near Jackson and

Castro streets. Officers contacted and arrested a 14-year-old Richmond boy for being a minor in possession of alcohol. He was released to his parent with a Notice to Appear.

Just after midnight on July 27 an El Cerrito man reported that he left his brown GT men's 21-speed mountain bike in front of a business on the 500 block of San Pablo Avenue while he went inside. When he returned his bike was missing. There were no witnesses.

At about 1:45 a.m. on July 27 a resident on the 800 block of Curtis Street reported that he had just observed his silver '90 Chevrolet Suburban driving away from his home going north toward Washington Avenue. The vehicle was gone when officers arrived. A notice was sent to all the surrounding agencies.

On the morning of July 27 a resident on the 900 block of Adams Street reported that during the night thieves stole his wife's black '92 Accura Integra. There were no witnesses.

On the morning of July 27 a resident on the 600 block of Spokane reported that during the night vandals egged her car. There were no witnesses.

At about 1 a.m. on July 31 Albany officers responded to the 700

POLICE REPORT

block of Madison Street from a man that his wife physically abusive to him. He learned that an argument related to a physical attack causing minor injuries. The old woman was arrested on spousal abuse and transported to Berkeley jail.

On the morning of July 27 officers located a black '91 Cleveland and Washington which had been reported from Oakland. The car was towed and the owner notified.

During the week of July 27 Albany officers towed and responded to five false animal reports. Five lost dogs and animals, assisted eight dogs were locked out of their homes and responded to three barking dogs.

In the domestic arena, responded to one domestic violence report of Civil Assists. Albany officers issued 44 vehicles issuing 17 warnings.

Albany firefighters responded to one fire call and one medical emergency.

Bad check used in purchase of previously owned auto

EL CERRITO — On July 22, a 51-year-old Oakland woman stashed two bottles of booze in her backpack while shopping at a grocery store on the 10700 block of San Pablo Avenue. After making a small purchase from the deli, the woman took a hike but was arrested for petty theft.

At 5:35 p.m. July 23, a 47-year-old woman was arrested by Lucky Store security after attempting to pocket \$11.33 in store merchandise.

A vandal hurled huevos at a home on the 1700 block of Walnut Avenue July 23, breaking the law and a kitchen window. The chicken-hearted suspect is wanted by police for malicious mischief.

Late at night July 25, a vandal slammed a rock through the right window of a car parked in a lot on the corner of Cutting and San Pablo avenues.

On the 700 block of Pomona Avenue July 25, a would-be burglar sneaked around the back of a home

and attempted to force open a dead bolt lock but failed miserably.

Police stopped a 33-year-old man on the 11200 block of San Pablo Avenue just after 10 p.m. July 26. According to the police report, officers sought to interview him about a case under investigation. However, the object of the interview stuttered and stumbled and was arrested for public intoxication.

A 22-year-old woman used a phony check to buy a \$300 mobile on the 11800 block of Pablo Avenue July 26. Albany officers issued a check and a promissory note and a check.

A 37-year-old woman was stopped by police on the 1230 block of San Pablo Avenue evening of July 31. A search of possession of base cocaine in her arrest.

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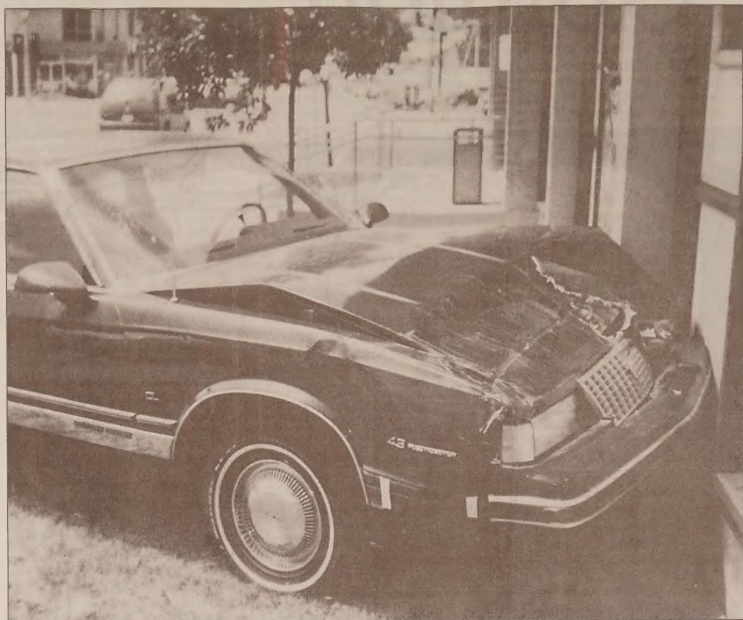
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Wild ride ends with collision — at EC police station

By James Carter



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POLICE DIDN'T have to go far to corral the suspect who crashed a stolen car into the police station.

a four-foot hedge there.

The suspect veered left on Huntington Avenue, rolled across a low area on the San Pablo Avenue median, then headed north.

Tate reportedly raced up San Pablo until he reached Manila Avenue. Then he apparently made another inexplicable decision, veering right, jumping a curb and screeching to a stop on the grassy lawn in front of the El Cerrito police station.

The hood of the stolen Monte Carlo, buckled from the earlier collision, was decorated with green leafy twigs, all that remained of a bush on Carson Avenue. The crumpled left fender punched a hole through a blue glass window panel of the station.

Tate was handcuffed and rocked back and forth as he sat on the front steps of the police department, questioned by officers.

Officials from the CHP and Richmond Police Department apparently discussed which agency should complete a report on the incident, and the ECPD awaited their decision, having filed a report on the accident on Manila.

Finally officers decided to take Tate into custody while the other agencies debated who should do what.

Once inside the police station, Tate began to race up and down the hallway, yelling and screaming "Help me! Help me! Someone please help me!"

Several officers were needed to restrain Tate, whose leg blocked a door beside the information window where residents were gathered. As police subdued the suspect, they also cleared members of the public from the station.

An officer later commented that Tate was "either very very strong or was under the influence of drugs."

According to Detective Carl Perez, Tate was taken to Doctor's Hospital in San Pablo for observation.

Meanwhile, for another hour or more, residents gathered on Manila and San Pablo avenues marveled at a burgundy Monte Carlo that, from the street, appeared to be parked on the grass in front of the El Cerrito Police Station.

County seeks input on using anti-tobacco funds

By Lisa Coffey Mahoney

County Supervisor Keith Carson is soliciting ideas for how Alameda County should spend the estimated \$20 million it will receive this year due to the passage of Proposition 10.

Approved by voters last November, Prop. 10, or the Children and Families First Act, mandates that an additional tax be imposed on cigarette and tobacco products sold in the state to fund anti-smoking and early childhood development programs.

"The money will go to local government in order to implement programs that may sway individuals young and old, but primarily young, from engaging in the use of tobacco and tobacco products," said Carson, who has been appearing before city to "solicit your involvement—not only the mayor, the council and staff, but also the citizenry."

In January, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors initiated a planning process for the implementation of Prop. 10.

A steering committee of five members was established, chaired by Supervisor Wilma Chan and Rodger Lum, director of Social Services. The steering committee hired planning staff, who have conducted research and community outreach in order to make recommendations on the best use of the Children and Families First resources to improve outcomes for Alameda County children 5 and under and their families.

According to Carson, ideas that have emerged from public hearings held throughout the county thus far include strengthening educational as well as health-related programs. "We have to get ahead of the curve of the impact of tobacco use in this county," he said.

The text of Prop. 10 states that each year tens of thousands of children are born exposed to tobacco, drugs and alcohol. Cigarette smoking and other tobacco use by pregnant women and new parents represent a significant threat to the healthy development of infants and young children. Smoking is the leading preventable cause of death and disease in California.

Studies published by the American Lung Association state that smoking during pregnancy accounts for an estimated 20 percent to 30 percent of low birth weight babies, up to 14 percent of pre-term deliveries and some 10 percent of all in-

fant deaths. Maternal smoking also has been linked to asthma among infants and young children.

"We have to make sure that we address this (tobacco use) because it has been plaguing us as a society for many years," said Carson, adding that people are impacted both directly and indirectly by tobacco use.

The proposition text also notes that each year California taxpayers spend billions of dollars on public education, yet there are few programs designed specifically to help prepare children to enter school in good health, ready and able to learn and emotionally well-developed.

It goes on to say that children who succeed in school are far more likely to engage in meaningful social, economic and civic participation as adults and to avoid the use of tobacco and other addictive substances.

Backers of Prop. 10 believe that dollars spent now on well-coordinated programs will save billions of dollars in remedial programs, treatment services and the criminal justice system.

Carson says that Alameda County is further ahead in the process of implementing Prop. 10 than its sister counties, saying "They have yet to start soliciting input by way of the Internet or town hall meetings."

Children and Families First program coordinator Mark Friedman is excited about the impact the program will have in Alameda County.

"This is the greatest opportunity that we've had to do something significant without strings attached," said Friedman. "We have a tremendous amount of flexibility to design programs for the maximum benefit."

Friedman says the overall program being designed is based on the premise that the needs of children are the same across the county. "We want to design a universal system to benefit all families," he said, citing a home visiting program for new mothers and upgrading of the quality and availability of child care.

Residents are invited to offer their input and ideas for programs at a public hearing, 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the Emeryville Child Development Center, 1220 53rd St.

Anyone seeking more information about the Children and Families First program can call program coordinator Friedman at 667-7575, or e-mail Friedman at Mfriedma@co.alameda.ca.us.

Landlord's go-between a federal fugitive

By James Carter

A property manager hired by local landlord Albert Lipnosky as "an enforcer" is a fugitive from the law, according to supervising deputy U.S. Marshal John Stafford.

Officials say John Abrams, alias John Yancy, escaped from a minimum security federal prison in 1991 where he was serving a sentence for burglary.

Abrams is also wanted by authorities in Virginia who issued a bench warrant in 1993 after he violated terms of parole there related to drug charges, according to Stafford. "He's a small potatoes crime figure working with a lot of money," Stafford said. "It seems Abrams was hired as an enforcer, collecting rent from poor folks—people that are easily intimidated. They are the victims of this guy."

The fugitive's true identity was first revealed in a July 8 column by David V. Mitchell published in the "Vent Reyes Station Light."

Mitchell's interest in Abrams was sparked after an East Bay group called the Campaign For Renter's Rights picketed the Inverness Hotel in Alameda.

The hotel and an adjoining building are owned by Lipnosky and managed by Abrams.

In March, CFRR organized a number of Lipnosky's tenants in Berkeley after complaints about illegal rents, unsafe living conditions, and evictions of single-parent families subsidized by Section 8.

Lipnosky owns 45 buildings in Alameda County, 24 in Berkeley alone, and property in El Cerrito. He did not return phone calls.

According to Rob Rooke, a spokesman for the tenants group, many tenants also voiced bitter complaints about Abrams, then known as Yancy.

"He is a harsh and sometimes brutal man," Rooke said during a March 20 Berkeley demonstration.

In 1997, Abrams was accused of assaulting a Berkeley tenant. Berkeley Police Capt. Bobby Miller said though a complaint was lodged against him, Abrams was never arrested.

According to Abrams' attorney, Michael Marowitz of San Rafael, the matter was resolved by a "dismissal" when both parties agreed to a civil settlement.

"(Abrams) has been locked up many times," Stafford said, "and for a variety of charges."

"He's just a thug," the marshal said.

Now on the lam, Abrams is being pursued by federal and local law enforcement officials.

Marowitz said his client left the area sometime around May 24 or 25—long before the piece published in "The Light" revealed his true identity.

In a recent follow-up piece written by Mitchell, Marowitz claimed Abrams left because he was suffering from "job-related stress."

"There's a nice federal medical center that can take care of his medical problem," Stafford said. "That can be easily arranged."

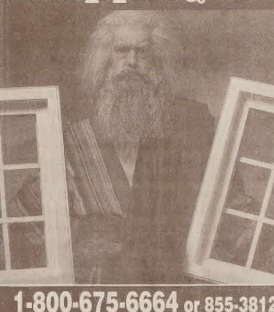
The federal marshal added that he

can guarantee Abrams "safe and swift passage" to Washington, D.C.

CFRR spokesman Rob Rooke, whose renters' group set in motion the wheels of justice, charged that "the bigger criminal here is Andrew Lipnosky. He has taken advantage of renters and has possibly harbored a fugitive as well."

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VIEWPOINT

Old and very tall trees pose a hazard

By Charles Smith

According to Carl Wilson, who is retired from the U.S. Forestry Department and is the author of weekly column on Berkeley history in the Berkeley Voice, this area was once covered with grassland. The only trees were in gullies and ravines. So most of the trees we have now have been introduced.

Tall trees are a hazard near houses, i.e., tall trees and houses are not compatible. Such trees, especially old and very tall trees, should be inspected annually by qualified experts. All such trees eventually fall over from several different causes, often with very little warning:

- All trees have a natural life span after which they will come down.
- Trees become diseased, rot, and fall from weakness and old age.
- Some trees are inherently dangerous because of shallow roots and brittle wood which causes the branches to break off unexpectedly.
- Soil conditions such as rocky or sandy soil with inadequate nutrients may stultify root systems from developing to support a tall structure.

In addition to being in danger of falling unexpectedly, some trees are a major fire hazard because of their high oil content. They may literally explode from nearby heat before burning and falling over.

The above pre-existing conditions set the stage for a disaster.

The triggering factors which will cause a weak tree to fall over include the following:

- Earthquakes which put extra strain

on their ability to stand; high winds; heavy rain, followed by high winds; and disease. (In North Carolina, nine inches of rain in two days, followed by strong winds, and in Colorado, an unusual and strong east wind caused thousands of trees to fall over). We can expect more extreme weather conditions as climate changes.

Trees that will grow to great heights should not be planted where they will be able to fall over onto nearby homes or people, as in a park.

The larger a dangerous tree exists, the more damage it is capable of causing and the more it will cost to cut up and remove or for residents to recover from the damage if it falls.

Many local trees have reached their normal life span and are showing signs of danger. Leaning, popping and cracking are eminent signs of a disaster. Such trees should be examined, and tended to promptly. They are literally bombs waiting to go off.

Tall trees can weigh several tons. A single branch may weigh over 150 pounds. (Among woodsmen, they are called "widowmakers.") When one falls it can easily crush a roof and make a home uninhabitable.

Tall tree removal when houses are nearby is best done by well-trained experts. After a major earthquake, the problem of fallen trees may exacerbate the other problems of recovery from that quake.

Charles L. Smith, 61, of Berkeley attended the last two "Tree Failure Conferences" sponsored by UC Cop Extension at Filoli.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An annex of Berkeley?

Albany is a small 27-block "flower box." Each plant (property and business) is a source of revenue (tax dollars) to sustain our city services. (Too few shoulders to bear such a heavy load) Planting more "flowers" (Albany Hill) until the box is so full the roots choke each other out. Yet we see our own city services being given over to Berkeley. (Our dog catcher ... we used to have our own judge!) How will Albany sustain itself without sacrificing our small town atmosphere? Or will we become an Annex of Berkeley?

Since I bought my home in 1985, property values have doubled. The Nuisance Abatement Ordinance read "any property deemed to be holding back property values, could be abated." It seems like an attempt to "cull the flower box" and increase property tax revenues. Who ever would take my place would have to make double my income to get a loan.

Where (in Albany) can someone earn such a wage? The face of our neighborhood would change. I call it Economic Cleansing. Property tax revenues would be increased as new owners displace us. Even that has its limits in the long run.

We are in such a hurry to give our landfill over to the state. Are we overlooking our very best asset? An egress to the bay? A way to bring in tax dollars to Albany's many small specialty stores without having to plant more flowers?

In the years to come how will Albany's tax revenues rise at the rate of inflation? Will they build another layer on top? Or will we face incorporation into a city such as Berkeley, that has a broader financial base?

I urge all of you who read this, to address the mayor and the council with your ideas. Can the Bulb be open space and a people ferry landing? Or will we be cut off from the bay and any possibility of revenue growth past what our own bank accounts can muster?

I personally, want free access to the bay. I see what the state has done to restrict use, charge fees and fines at other beaches it has taken over. (San Gregorio, compared to Muir Beach, Pt. Pinole, compared to Pt. Isabel) The time to save the Bulb, and Albany's financial future is right now. Let us make a true People's Park!

Susan Clayworth
Albany

Baxter Creek event a success

The Save Baxter Creek plant sale held on July 31 was a great success. Thanks to over 20 volunteers and several hundred plant and creek lovers, we made close to \$1,000. We discussed creek and native vegetation restoration with the visitors. Many adults and kids thought the area should become not just a creek, but a joint El Cerrito-Richmond park.

Special thanks to the property owner, Tony Carrico of the Hacienda restaurant for letting us use the site, and to Home Depot for its donation of plants for sale.

New developments: We hope we are close to having enough funds to print our brochure about the creek restoration project. We are starting a group for regularly scheduled creek maintenance parties, and will contribute to the Richmond Girl Scouts doing a mural on Baxter Creek. Our millennial Save Baxter Creek Plant

sale will be held on May 20, 2000, so gardeners, save those surplus plants!

To join, make a donation. Or be on our mailing list contact Maryann at 236-5351 or Lisa at 237-7968. Thanks again to everyone, it was work and it was fun.

Rosemary Loubal
El Cerrito

Y2K threat on the horizon

To some, Y2K poses a bigger calamity than the Albany cardroom fight.

Imagine, power outages; no TV! No ATMs! No gasoline! How are we to survive?

Russell Solomon
Albany

Unanswered questions in KPFA dispute

As a bilingual teacher, and publisher, I have several questions concerning the crisis between Pacifica and KPFA. Having read Pacifica's public statements, and attended events sponsored by opposing groups (i.e., Media Alliance, Coalition for a Democratic Pacifica, etc.) I have discerned various defining issues that beg clarification by the conflicting parties.

For instance, Pacifica speaks of the need to be responsive to the diversity in the community. KPFA dismisses this as rhetoric to justify the assault on the station and its staff, a hypocritical attempt to broaden support.

At a couple of meetings I listened as supporters of the "Save-Pacifica" faction complained about "street" and "marginal" people occupying the front of the KPFA building in Berkeley, and the "negative publicity they bring to the movement."

One supporter suggested they were "trying to be part of our community", which raises the question of why they are not considered part of it already, and further, who constitutes this community?

What language, education, socioeconomic level, political views, geographic boundaries, ethnicity and nationalities, define the members, and the topics discussed?

Pacifica, on the other hand has raised the issue of safety at the area in front of the station. Should we assume both sides share views about "marginal" people?

Given my Latin American/Hispanic heritage, I am concerned about how each group intends to address this population in the future. What do "they" define as the critical issues for "us"? What role will we play in the future of the station? How will non-English listeners be included? How will the other barriers to active participation, built into the lives of many Hispanics be addressed?

While the crisis is ostensibly about "free speech," I have discovered widely divergent definitions. Several of those opposing Pacifica felt there should only be room for progressive perspectives. How different is this from Pacifica, protected by its corporate status, prohibiting news broadcasts of its internal problems? In its definition of "progressive" and "free speech," what space is each side prepared to allow for dissent, on the air?

I hope both sides consider answering these questions. Otherwise, as they reach out for support, one is left wondering what one would be ultimately contributing to.

Enrique Alonso
Letras Vivas Publishers

Don't punish obedient dogs, dog owners

I am writing in rebuttal to Ms. Bev Jo's call to enforce leash laws in the East Bay Regional Parks, or entirely ban dogs from them.

I agree that lawbreakers, who allow their dogs off leash where they ought not to, indeed should be cited. I do not agree, however, that the rest of us, the vast majority of dog owners who meticulously follow park rules, should also be punished! We disapprove of the unruly minority as much or more than Ms. Jo does!

I can hardly think of a social context in which this "bad apple" problem does not arise.

I have had a good day or two ruined in an East Bay Regional Park by overly loud groups of young people. Such is youth. Unlike Ms. Jo, I do not call for a ban on all teens. My dog has on three occasions received severe cuts on her pads from broken glass in the parks.

I pick up all the glass that I see, and, unlike Ms. Jo, do not call for a ban on all bottled beverages. Once, as I sat minding my own business, reading a book, a drunk picnicker flung an open packet of mustard at me. He scored an unerring direct hit. I did not call for a ban on all picnickers. I do not have children of my own, but I know a great many lovely ones. Sometimes, though they're not so lovely. They act out, scream, punch, kick, break things, and wreak general havoc, even in public places.

Don't get me started about my last visit to Lake Anza! But, unlike Ms. Jo, I don't want them keep out of the park, even if the diapers of more than few definitely do leak in the water.

And on that note, whether a dog is on or off leash has absolutely nothing to do with the amount of feces to be found. There are East Bay sidewalks that I frequent 99 percent of the dogs that pass in a day are leashed, and fresh feces aren't hard to find. There are off-leash park trails where it takes a long, hard search to find even a single desiccated occurrence.

I know because, like a great many other responsible dog owners, I look, and dispose of what I find. It therefore is ironic that Ms. Jo opposes the EBRPD's laudable efforts to educate dog owners and cite wrongdoers. That is precisely what is needed; the unenlightened and irresponsible minority will otherwise remain that way, even if their dogs are on leash! A quick, related digression: I wonder whether Ms. Jo, or any of the other three persons who signed her letter, own a cat? I don't, but there are sections of my heavily mulched flower garden that are putrid litter boxes. Should all cats therefore be kept indoors at all times? Just curious.

Ms. Jo closes her letter by asking why "dogs and their owners (are) being made more important than everyone else?" I dare say we are one of the least important groups of park users if that can be measured

as a percentage of the EBRPD's annual budget.

Dog owners want relatively little in return for their leashes: some hilly, brushy, tick ridden, unmaintained trails. I invite Ms. Jo to compare the cost of that to the economic and environmental price tags of playing ball in gardens, picnic areas, beaches, golf courses, petting farms, and steam train rides, science and nature centers, and tours, events and programs for children, parks, and law enforcement. Don't get me wrong, I heartily support all of those things in our parks except the pony rides - walking ponies in a circle is repugnant to me. My point is that dog owners are little, and give as much as anyone else. We're not important than you, Ms. Jo, but we're just as important.

Again, I wish to reiterate those points upon which Ms. Jo and responsible dog owners agree. Compromise, after all, what we seek. In those places in which where dogs are not allowed off-leash especially paved trails that are particularly valuable to the firm," and in flat grassy meadows and so on that reserved for special activities, no reasonable person could disagree that irresponsible, lawbreaking dog owners, just like any other irresponsible, lawbreaking users, should be made to obey the rules. That is precisely what the vast majority of us do.

Turn the lights back on

I don't know who's in charge, but could they pay the light bill so we can have the sun back on you.

Leah Chan

KPFA battle isn't over yet

The KPFA community and Pacifica have revealed their very serious differences.

The fact that there is going to be a free special for KPFA in Berkeley this coming Saturday prompted Pacifica to do a little "crisis management."

How can KPFA listeners, paid staff, volunteers, the general public trust a management that denies a gag rule, pulls staff off the air and puts a team of private police on a community radio station?

Exactly what moves were made by Pacifica stations that listener-supporters had built over years? (Please see e-mail between Pacifica and Board Member, Mr. Michael Palmer and Pacifica person, Ms. Mary Berry.) Was the gag rule deny KPFA listeners information that Pacifica was hiding? What has it cost Pacifica, Berkeley and concerned individuals to respond to the situation? Pacifica put in motion? Etc...

At the bare minimum, Pacifica management should immediately establish a new, democratic procedure for an election of totally new members to the National Board AND then elect new members.

Return local control to all the Pacifica stations.

Apologize to the public.

Ross W.

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They'll play 'Misty' for late maestro of piano tuners

Snappshots

By Martin Snapp

A great artist died July 23. His name was Sheldon Smith; and when it came to tuning pianos, he was The Maestro.

Working out of his humble workshop in central Berkeley, he tuned the pianos for Davies Symphony Hall, Zellerbach Hall, Hertz Hall and Vesli's, which meant he worked with such world-famous artists as Garrick Ohlsson, Richard Goode, Murray Perahia, Alicia Della Rocha, Oscar Peterson, Peter Serkin and Andras Schiff.

"But he was as great an artist as any of us whose pianos he tuned," says pianist Barbara Shearer.

"There was no one who could touch him," adds pianist Sharon Munn.

"He was the best, one of a kind," agrees David Whitman, former manager of Hertz Hall at UC-Berkeley.

"But he was much more than just a piano tuner," says pianist Sarah Cahill. "He rebuilt pianos; he gave them new lives. Pianos can get in pretty bad shape over the years, but Sheldon knew exactly how to bring out an instrument's potential sound."

And now that he's gone, his friends and clients — the two are often the same people — are fiercely protective of his memory.

"Paint him beautiful," Mann told me. "He gave something truly significant to this community."

What made him so great? It was not just his unmatched technical skill. And it wasn't just his superhuman attention to detail. (He'd linger over the keyboard, playing the same two or three notes over and over again, hour after hour, until he was satisfied he'd got it right.)

What set him apart was what Mann calls "his glorious ear," an uncanny ability to hear a piano the same way the pianist hears it.

"It was almost as if he could get inside my ears," says Shearer. "I could say something vague like, 'The sound is too bright,' and that could mean a thousand different things to different people. But Sheldon somehow intuitively knew exactly what I mean. Some technicians are too formulaic, but Sheldon had the imagination to understand me."

He was also a perfectionist in the best sense of the word, focusing on the job at hand with a laser-like intensity.

"You could never come near him while he was working," says Whitman. "Many times, the entire orchestra would have to wait out in the hallway until Sheldon had finished. Sometimes that would take hours."

And how would they know when Smith was done?

"He'd always celebrate by playing 'Misty.' As soon as I heard the first few notes of 'Misty,' I'd know it was safe to go in."

Having gone to all that trouble to pre-

pare a piano for a concert, you'd think Smith's worries would be over once the music started. But no-o-o-o-o.

"We'd sit in a secret alcove in the back of Hertz Hall," says Whitman. "Or rather, I'd be seated. Sheldon could never sit down. He'd be too nervous, pacing back and forth the whole time. Those instruments were his babies."

But there's another reason why the musical community is in mourning. In addition to his technical virtuosity, he was in love with music, musical instruments and — especially — musicians. And they loved him right back.

"Musicians all have egos, but he refused to get involved in turf wars and competitiveness," says Cahill.

"Instead, he brought pianists together. Whenever he rebuilt an instrument, he'd invite a number of us over to his house to try it. In his studio, it didn't matter whose Schubert was better or who had the most concert tours. All that mattered was the joy of music and the startling experience of playing one of Sheldon's pianos."

"He loved to bring musicians together," adds Whitman. "He'd sit back and look at all those people making music together, and it would bring tears to his eyes."

"You have to understand that I've suffered a double loss," says Mann. "On one hand, I've lost the man who made my professional life so wonderful. But I've also lost a dear, dear friend."

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But I can't end this column without commenting on one of the most impressive qualities about Sheldon Smith: the support he gave his wife and business partner, Linda McCormick.

If the name sounds familiar, it should. I've written about her many times in the past. She's the founder of that wonderful group, Fix Our Ferals, which has been systematically reducing the feral cat population in Berkeley by humanely trapping ferals and taking them to local vets for spaying and neutering.

And Sheldon was her most enthusiastic supporter. Every musician I've talked to remembers how he always hit them up for a donation to Fix Our Ferals every time he tuned their piano. Cahill remembers the time one of Sheldon and Linda's cats had kittens.

"They were all born healthy, except for the last one, which came out with no vital signs," she says. "Sheldon tried mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, but it was already dead. But I love the image of him, such a big masculine man,

holding a tiny newborn kitten, trying to breathe life into it."

Fix Our Ferals has just expanded its mission to go beyond Berkeley and serve the entire East Bay, from Oakland to El Cerrito. Despite the terrible blow of Sheldon's death, Linda and her colleagues went ahead with this month's spay/neuter clinic on Sunday and spayed or neutered more than 120 feral cats.

"It's what he would have wanted," she says.

The next Fix Our Ferals clinic will be held Sept. 12. If there are any feral cats in your neighborhood, give FOF a call at 433-9446. They'll lend you the traps and show you how to use them. You can drop the cats off at the clinic in the morning and pick them up that afternoon.

In the meantime, they'll be spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and given whatever medical care is necessary, from de-worming to extracting infected teeth — all for free.

If the cats are tame enough, they'll be placed in loving new homes. If not, you can release them back to their colony, where at least they won't be producing any more kittens.

And, of course, if you want to make a donation to Fix Our Ferals (tax-deductible, of course), send them a check at P.O. Box 13083, Berkeley 94712-4083.

There will be a Piano Party for Sheldon's friends at his workshop on Aug. 22. A Who's Who of concert pianists will take turns playing on Sheldon's pride and joy, a rare Chickering grand piano he lovingly restored to life.

The music will range from ancient to avant-garde. In his memory, someone will probably play his beloved Chopin. (Just as Chopin's dying words were "Play Mozart in memory of me.") And doubtless someone will also play "Misty."

But unlike the countless pianists whose professional lives he made possible, there are no recordings of Sheldon Smith's work. His art is, by definition, ephemeral.

"But all pianos in the Bay Area should be allowed to go out of tune for one year in Sheldon's honor," says Cahill, only half in jest.

The final words of my favorite children's book, "Charlotte's Web," are these: "It is not often that someone comes along who is both a true friend and a good writer."

And that goes for piano technicians, too.

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A salute to Hal Denham

By Roxanne Wiley

On Wednesday, July 21, over 70 members and friends gathered at the Cafe del Sol for the installation of officers and a well-deserved tribute to Hal Denham, who retired June 30.

The master of ceremonies, yours truly, introduced the various notables that attended this very entertaining function. From Mayor Peggy Thomsen, assistant City Administrator Ann Ritzma, Councilmen Ely and Maris, all of the Denham family from far and wide and the rest of our Albany community came together to applaud our newly elected officers and to pay homage to Mr. Denham.

The Denham tribute was led by Mayor Thomsen who presented Mr. Denham with a proclamation that literally outlined his entire life, which is considerable since Hal is 94. After Mayor Thomsen came Jerome Blank who did a mild roasting of Hal. It was fitting Mr. Blank to do this since he has known Hal for over 50 years. But Hal had his revenge. He delivered a humorous speech sharing his nicest thoughts even when he might have done some considerable roasting of his own.

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The officers were sworn in by Jerome Blank. They are Ruby McDaniel, president, Sherman Lim, first vice president, Shirley Fudge-Mueller, second vice president, Ray Anderson, third vice president and Elisabeth Bell, treasurer. They will serve the 1999-2000 term with the following board members: Sandy Ashley, Jerome Blank, Robert Brenzel, Amelia Chellew, Raymond Grassi, Robert Gordon, Edward Elliott, Merlin Edwards, John Nakamura, William Johnson, Gayle Davis, Sherry Brown and Ruth Leif.

President Ruby McDaniel thanked us all for being there and assured us that the next year will be even more exciting and challenging. After the president's remarks some people wanted to say a few words about Hal and they each had their turn and all of them shared little vignettes that were quite humorous. This was, as I said in the beginning, a very entertaining evening.

(Mr. Denham was to have received a plaque to forever hang on the Hal Denham wall at the Chamber.)

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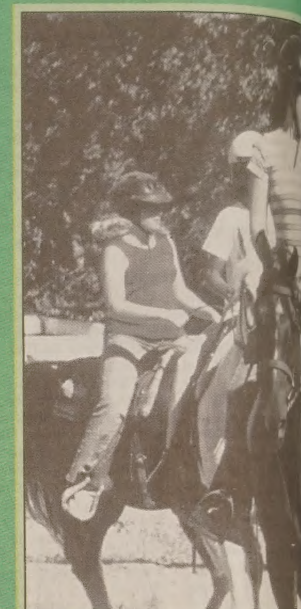
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When it's time for a nibble, you'll head to Johnny Appleseed's Cafe to eat. Grilled chicken sandwiches, veggie burgers and other good stuff will be part of our expanded menu. The new Hansel and Gretel bathrooms will be open. Additional rest rooms will be available in Yankee Doodle Junction.

These projects are vital to Fairyland's continuing growth and success and guaranteed to tickle your fantasy. If you wish, you can be a proud donor of the magic lamp's genie, the onion dome, or any other part of our construction. Be a donor, be part of Fairyland's future.

Butterflies Land at Entrance

While the construction crew is busy creating a new entrance plaza, visitors enter Fairyland through a temporary entrance right down the path from the old main entrance. Surrounded by beautiful, colorful butterflies, you'll enter to see the newly refurbished Wonder Go Round. The huge butterfly kites visit Fairyland from the story of Thumbelina who was saved by a butterfly when a frog wanted to marry her.



Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show



Tom Cutts aka Merlin will perform magic for Fairyland's 49th birthday party.



Cinderella Birthday party area ribbon-cutting ceremony, 1957.

August 21 and 22

Celebrate 49th Birthday

Celebrate Fairyland's 49th birthday by returning to Camelot. Come dressed as a prince, princess, knight, magician, dragon or any Renaissance character and be a part of the fun. Fairies, magicians, and puppets will bring Camelot to life. Meet the King and Queen and have your fortune told by a traveling gypsy. Sing happy birthday to Fairyland!

Send a favorite photo for celebration Fairyland is 50 in 2000!

From Eisenhower to Clinton, from Howdy Doody to Pokemon, from telephone party lines to the information highway, the last 50 years have seen remarkable changes in the way we live our lives. Children's Fairyland has existed as a sacred oasis for families with young children throughout these five decades. It has remained a quiet, gentle refuge amidst wild technological explosions.

Children's Fairyland is the first theme park of its kind in the United States. Fairyland welcomed its first visitors through the Shoe on September 2, 1950. This enchanted land has been the inspiration for children's parks across the country, including Disneyland. Opening day prices were: Ages 0 - 12: \$0.09 Ages 12 - 100: \$0.14

Fairyland has watched families grow. Parents who came here as children are bringing their children. Grandparents are returning with their children's children. Now is your chance to send a favorite family picture of your visit to Fairyland. These will be displayed for Fairyland's 50th Birthday Party during the entire month of August, 2000.

Festivities planned for the 50th birthday include a Flashback to the 50s Dance, a sock hop complete with poodle skirts and saddle shoes. Also, stay tuned for the Festival of Fairyland, a month-long celebration of Fairyland's 50th birthday in August of 2000. Send in your pictures now to be part of the fun.

New Jack O'Lantern Jamboree!

October 29, 30, and 31 have been reserved for the Bay Area's best Halloween celebration. This three day festival of fantasy will include a Popcorn Palace, haunted tunnels, and magic through the air. Dance the Monster Mash with the Baby Dragon and howl at the Ghost School! Be sure to dress in costume and be prepared for fun.

Fairyland is inviting businesses, corporations, and individuals to become sponsors of this marvelous event. You can sponsor the Dragon's Lair, the Witch School, or the Cotton Candy Castle. Sponsors receive widely publicized signage as well as a VIP pass to the Haunted Hideaway!

July 23 - September 6

Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show

This classical Russian tale teaches children the names of orchestra instruments while demonstrating how animals and humans can be friends. Peter and his animal friends Sasha the Bird, Sonia the Duck, and Ivan the Cat set out to catch a wolf. Through good fortune and the cleverness of each other, they outwit the Wolf and save the Countryside! Classical music by Sergie Prokofiev completes the inspiring experience. Shown everyday Fairyland is open at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m.

Fairyland Schedule and Location

Children's Fairyland is open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through August 31. Fairyland is also open for Labor Day, September 6. After Labor Day, Fairyland is open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is \$5 and includes all rides. Special \$3 Mondays through August. Children's Fairyland is located at 699 Bellevue inside Lakeside Park, Oakland, CA 94610.

Saturday & Sunday, August 7 & 8

Anansi the Spider celebrates African dancing, drumming, and storytelling; **Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Anansi the Spider Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Liberian Dance Company** 1 p.m.; **African Dance Troupe** 1:30 p.m.; **Kelmar the Storyteller** 2:30

Saturday & Sunday, August 14 & 15

The Short Attention Span Circus with Jean Paul Valjean: An amazing show of juggling and balance! **Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Hanuman the Monkey King Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **The Short Attention Span Circus** 1 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, August 21 & 22

Return to Camelot! Celebrate Fairyland's 49th Birthday in Royal style. Come dressed as a prince, princess, knight, or magician. **Peter and the Wolf Puppet**

Show 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **The Puppet Petting Zoo** 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; **The Blue Fairy** 11:30 a.m.; **The Wizard of Oz Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Tom Cutts The Magician** 1 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, August 28 & 29

Star Showcase! Perform on the Emerald City Stage! Call to register. **Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Anansi the Spider Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Star Showcase** 1 p.m.; **Special Performance** 2:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, September 4 & 5

Teddy Bear Picnic Weekend Bring your Teddy Bear or stuffed animal, be in the Parade, and meet Farnsworth the Bear. **Teddy Bear Picnic Puppet Show** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Hanuman the Monkey King Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Parade with Farnsworth** 1 p.m.; **Special Performance** 2:30 p.m.

September 8 through November 5 The Tale of Sadko

Showing in the true grandness of Russian theater, these hand puppets take you on the journey of Sadko, a young man who brings prosperity to Russia. Sadko loves to play his harp. The Sea God hears the lovely music and begs Sadko to leave and marry one of his many daughters. Sadko agrees, but his beloved Russia will prosper in trade and everyone will be happy. Favor is granted and Sadko gives his earthly happiness in exchange for a life under the sea. Shown everyday when Fairyland is open at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m.

Storybook Puppet Theater

The Storybook Puppet Theater at Children's Fairyland is a renowned Puppet Master Lewis Mahlmann of Oakland. He is one of the founding members of the Puppetry Guild of the Bay Area, the largest such guild in the U.S. He began working in the world of puppetry professionally in 1955 and has been at Fairyland since 1960. His puppet shows are colorful, whimsical, and a delightful blend of humor and classic theater. Puppet shows are performed everyday when Fairyland is open at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. The current "Peter and the Wolf," Stay tuned for "The Tale of Sadko" on September 8, 1999.



The Johnson's with their Puppet Petting Zoo friends will be performing August 21-22, Camelot Weekend.



Children's Fairyland 1955 Queen, Connie Quakenbush.



Groundbreaking for Chapel of Peace, Children's Fairyland on November 11, 1955. From left, Chairman of Park Commission G.R. Augustus Briggs, Lakeview Juniors president Miss Lois Lind, and past president Mrs. Paul E. Paules.

Labor Day, Monday September 6

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Saturday & Sunday, September 11 & 12

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Saturday & Sunday, September 18 & 19

Star Showcase: Perform on the Emerald City Stage! Call to register. **The Tale of Sadko Puppet**

Show 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Anansi the Spider Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Star Showcase** 1 p.m.; **Special Performance** 2:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, September 25 & 26

Hanuman the Monkey King Musical 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Arts & Crafts** 12 noon-3 p.m.; **Hanuman the Monkey King Musical** 12 noon & 3 p.m.; **Indian Dancing** 1 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

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Table tennis champ is only part of the Herskovich story

Allen Herskovich has been hailed as the "godfather of world class table tennis," and though his days of active playing are over ("I no longer have the energy for the game") his impact on the sport has been so great that he is still invited to tournaments all over the world.

Anyone who has visited him in his electric shaver shop on Macdonald Avenue in Richmond, has seen some of his many trophies and prizes hanging on the wall. He said he kept them there so his customers would ask about them and they could have a friendly conversation. And anyone who knows Allen Herskovich knows that next to table tennis he loves conversation most.

His story is part of the story of Europe and the world in the terrible days of Hitler and the Holocaust. But we must start at the beginning.

Born in Zagreb, Yugoslavia in 1916, Herskovich flirted with many sports, but at the age of 14 he found table tennis and stayed with it.

By 1934 he was competing with his local sports club, and in 1937 began playing for the Yugoslavian competitive team, which won second place in the world championships.

Winning a reputation as the best doubles player, he traveled internationally with the team until the invasion of Yugoslavia in 1940.

He tells of being saved from the concentration camps by other team members who convinced the Yugoslavian police who were about to "relocate" him that he represented Yugoslavia to the rest of the table tennis world.

Instead he was sent to Italy as a prisoner of war. His treatment there, he said, was good, on the whole. At one point he was sent to the beautiful island of Korcula. As a Jew he could walk the streets safely during the day, but no Jewish person was allowed on the streets at night. The 200 Jewish families living on the island helped to make his time there comfortable.

Later he spent two years in Italian jails as a prisoner of war. He was liberated in 1943. He had continued to play competitive table tennis off and on while in Italy.

He stayed in Italy and began a competitive table tennis organization there. He performed demonstration

matches for the U.S. troops stationed there, and, since he speaks a dozen languages fluently, found work as a translator for sporting events to earn a living.

He was studying engineering in Yugoslavia, but after his liberation he could only work at odd jobs.

In 1950, he emigrated to the U.S., working in New York for a while, then, hearing that San Francisco was a more friendly place, he came West.

He found employment with Macy's department store in the electric shaver department, became the department's assistant manager, then left after four years to start his own shop in Richmond. He makes his home in El Cerrito.

Allen Herskovich played competi-

tive table tennis for 25 years after he opened his shop, but "quit while he was ahead."

He did play once more several years later "just to see if I'm still alive." However, the world of table tennis has never forgotten this world champion, and through the years he has been invited to tournaments in many countries. (I remember standing in a hotel lobby in Tokyo, waiting for friends, when I heard my name called. It was Allen Herskovich, who had been invited there as a guest. At that time I knew nothing of his prowess, so it was a great surprise. His wife, Dorothy, still teases us about our "tryst" in Tokyo.)

His latest invitation was this year's tournament in Eindhoven,

Holland.

Herskovich met his wife in San Francisco when they both took the same bus to work every day. He finally talked with her, and when she asked what his accent was, and found he was from Yugoslavia she said that her parents had been from Yugoslavia, also, and so a friendship began, that culminated in marriage.

Herskovich no longer works regularly in Al's Electric Shavers shop on Macdonald in Richmond. It is now run by his son, Emanuel. However, because Herskovich is incapable of not doing anything, he spends a great deal of his time there, still.

Through the years he has also opened 14 other shops in San Leandro and other Northern California cities,

for his nephews and other relatives.

We did skip one stop he made in the United States.

Before coming to San Francisco he was sent to Omaha, Nebraska by the authorities, who said there were too many immigrants in New York. When he started playing table tennis there, they decided they had better get rid of the upstart.

"They wanted to get rid of the 'new guy' so they matched me with their champion in the first round of the tournament," Grinning he continues. "In a two out of three match I beat him in two straight, so they changed the rules to three out of five. Then I won the third match."

Silver-haired now, Allen Her-

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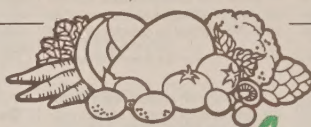
By Clara-Rae Genser

skovich has never lost his interest in the game, and the game, it seems, has never lost interest in him. Which is how it should be.

Herskovich is in Holland now, at that tournament. It was fun going over all of this with him, and I am please that he contacted me.

As always I invite your input: interesting people, events, organizations, travel, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., 443, Albany, CA 94706, or call 525-4585. My e-mail is crgenser@aol.com.

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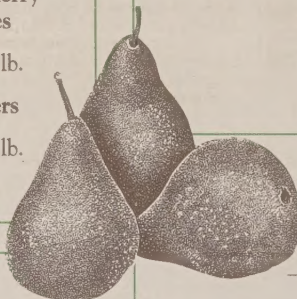
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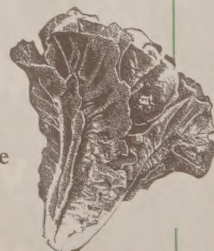
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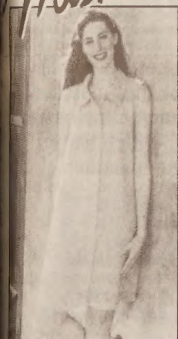
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United Nations Center celebrates 35 years

By Danielle Samaniego

Mayor Shirley Dean barely moved an inch while eating her cake and drinking her lemonade. She had become surrounded by residents interested in sharing their point of views and opinions with her.

"I didn't think I'd see you here," was one woman's comment. All were out in support of the United Nations Association Information Center's 35th Birthday Celebration. The event took place on Aug. 1, the official UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) Information Center Day.

The corner of Shattuck Avenue and Delaware jumped to the swinging sounds of the Dixieland band provided for the afternoon.

Dean was there to deliver her proclamation to the center as well as take in some of the various gifts and UNICEF materials.

"I think this is a wonderful shop, I really do," Dean said. "There are so many good things to come in here and buy."

It is through the shop's numerous gifts and materials that the center is able to stay alive in the Berkeley area.

"That's what pays the rent and all

our expenses here. It is always a financial struggle," said Kara Speltz, director of the center for the last five years.

"Especially as our rents are raised and all sorts of expenses go up, it's hard to really make it."

According to Speltz and the proclamation itself, Berkeley's UNICEF shop is the leading retailer of its kind in the country.

UNICEF provides most of the items for sale, but Speltz also participates by purchasing her own contributions for the place.

"I've been known to buy something just because it's from a country that we don't have," she said.

As the director, Speltz is hoping the center will represent at least 80 nations in 10 years. Currently 60 are represented.

Ninety percent of the proceeds made from the center are directly redistributed to the UNICEF foundation.

The other 10 percent goes toward the various fees charged in maintaining the shop.

Over the past 10 years, the UNICEF Center has raised more than \$100,000 through its programs, including the "Trick or Treat for

UNICEF" project. Almost \$15,000 was raised in 1998 alone.

The center is also unique for its library, which provides information about the different countries UNICEF services.

"I actually like the library best and the research capabilities that are there for high school children and for students at the university who are perhaps preparing a paper," said Alison Rayner-Hooson, a former director of the center.

Speltz agrees. "It's just a wonderful resource that people don't know yet about," she said.

Founded in 1946, UNICEF advocates and works for the protection of children's rights, to help the young meet their basic needs and to expand their opportunities to reach their full potential.

Many consider the local center a place that continues to carry out this task.

"They've (the center) done this remarkable job of collecting for UNICEF and those are all things that Berkeley residents really support," said Dean.

Mary Lee Trampleasure started out as a co-director of the center in 1979. She retired as director in 1994.

"I think it's pretty amazing that a non-profit organization has survived for 35 years," she said.

Trampleasure wants to see the center take a slightly different approach when it comes to informing the public what the center is about.

"I would rather have more focus on the information..." said Trampleasure. "Unfortunately with rents rising and paying staff members we have to sell gift items. It's gotten a little bit away from its original intent."

Speltz also recognizes the problem of the public being misinformed.

"It's frustrating to me that people come in and say, 'I didn't know there was a UNICEF store in Berkeley and we've been here for 35 years,'" she said.

Local youths stand at Miami judo tournament

EL CERRITO — The Miami Youth International Judo Tournament was held recently with Sayaka Matsumoto, a student at St. Mary's College High School, placing first in the youth 48 kg. division.

She beat a girl from Mexico in round one, Canada in round two, and an American in finals.

Stephanie Hata, a student at El Cerrito High School, placed in two divisions, taking first in the 15-16 44g division, beating two girls from South Africa.

In the youth division, she lost two matches, but took a third (there were three girls).

Both Matsumoto and Hata competed at several national Judo Jr.

tournaments in July and each event.

Because of their performance this whole month and were both selected to the U.S. at the PJJ Jr. Championships to be held in Tampa on Aug. 17 to begin a tour prior to the tournament.

The East Bay Judo Club, located at 11165 San Pablo Cerrito across from St. Cerrito near Potrero Avenue.

The EBJJ is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the teaching of Kodokan Judo.

Skies

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During their stay, team members have already visited the National Observatory of Bucharest. They also were led on a brief tour of the Romanian countryside, including one of Dracula's castles.

"We've had some beautiful weather today," Cowee said Aug. 3. "The 'grown-ups' on the trip are getting a little bit stressed about everything," she reported, "but the students keep it together."

"Everyone has a different attitude

in relation to the rain. Some of us refuse to say the work rain or cloud. Others just shout at the sky 'you call this rain?'"

Cowee remains optimistic that the skies will be blue the day of the eclipse, still a week away.

According to the AHS graduate, students have developed several motives to help keep their spirits up, including "We're putting all our eggs in 60 per cent of the basket."

(According to Cowee, as of press time there is a 60 percent chance of sun in Ramnicu-Vilcea, the date the sun will be blotted out from the sky.)

Other motives include "it's not a responsibility, it's a privilege," she

said, a reference to the signed sheet as "that day when scientists hope to see the corona is so much the sun."

According to Cowee, the day temperature of the degrees Fahrenheit, which reaches temperatures of 60 degrees.

Though Dracula was a man being not an animal blood sucker, scientists alike are hopeful he will mythical powers to day Aug. 11 when the moon sun whole.

Art

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The column will be 8 feet tall with three 2-foot wide sides. Dair said people may want one side to represent El Cerrito's history, another to represent its present and the third to represent the city's future.

"This is a fun project which will bring together local artists, historians, civic groups and individuals to celebrate our community identity," she said.

The project needs people with ideas and volunteer artists, builders and set-designers to help plan and make the column. Dair invited the public to "Come to our visioning meeting, where we'll talk about different ideas for representing El Cerrito's past, present and future."

"People can do anything they want with it," Dair said. Some cities may have lighted and interactive columns with cutaway openings and such, she said, adding, "You don't have to be that fancy."

The column needs to be completed by the end October, said Dr.

Eve Ma of Celebrating Culture and Community. It will be part of millennium celebrations this winter and will also be part of a county's July 4, 2000 celebration.

"There are going to be a lot of things happening in Contra Costa County in honor of the millennium," Ma said.

After the Concord events, supporters hope to find a permanent home in El Cerrito for the community art project.

"The thing that I think is great about it is that this will give us a nice piece of public art," said Dair. She said the column could be used at the community center or on the Ohlone Greenway after the county events.

"It's something that people can be proud of," Dair said. "It's a community-building project."

Ma said the column could end up on San Pablo Avenue as part of an effort to beautify the route in El Cerrito and neighboring cities.

"As for where these things are going to end up after the Concord Pavilion—that has not been decided," Ma said. "My hope is that this can be part of a broader West County beautification effort."

Ma said each column will express the individual character of each participating community.

"Lots of people go to the Concord Pavilion," Ma said, noting that El Cerrito's column will reflect the city to the broader county and Bay Area community. "There are going to be lots of people seeing these columns," she said.

A "visioning meeting" concerning the art column is scheduled during Sustainable El Cerrito's monthly meeting, Tuesday, Aug. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the El Cerrito Royale Retirement Residence third floor lounge, 6510 Gladys Ave. (at Lexington).

"We invite everyone to join us to create a piece of public art we can all be proud of," Dair said.

In addition to volunteer labor, donations of money and material are welcome. Contributions can be sent to Celebrating Culture and Community, 1355 Arlington Blvd., El Cerrito, 94530. (Be sure to indicate that the contribution is for the El Cerrito community column.)

For more information call Celebrating Culture and Community at (510) 236-3255.

Crash

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excess of 40 mph on the only east-west thoroughfare connecting the Berkeley Hills with Interstate 80.

Efforts by the city's Traffic Commission to move forward on a plan to address the problem have been blocked by opposing parties that have met head-on.

Recently several Albany residents have also complained about the new night setting of the Masonic/Marin

signal.

According to Roger Anderman, interim maintenance and engineering manager for the city of Albany, the light at Masonic was recently "actuated" to meet "major street demand."

In the evenings, especially on weekends, sensitive electronic coils buried just beneath that intersection "sense" the approach of automobiles at that intersection and briefly change the north/south signal from red to green.

"During the day, there is usually a timed pattern" to the light, Ander-

man said, but during the night, drivers on Marin Avenue encounter a green light when a car across the street is a car across the street. "At that point, the sensors on Masonic at the intersection on Marin allow the green cross."

The duration of the north/south green light on Avenue is about 15 seconds, setting for a weekend evening, Anderman said. Cars are waiting to cross at night, he said, the signal allows more "green



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KPFA rally packs punch, fills streets

By Marc Albert

Pacifica Board Chair Mary Frances Berry's insistence that KPFA's listeners are mainly "white males over-50," went on trial on Berkeley's streets Saturday, and the verdict suggests Berry statement may have over-reached.

Between 10,000 and 15,000 people crammed into UC Berkeley's Sproul Plaza for a mass rally and speeches before marching with voices and arms raised past the boarded up KPFA studios and into Civic Center Park.

While the northeast revisited its past in the form of music festival "Woodstock '99," Berkeley proved that its stature as a city of political activists never really waned.

Thousands of young people, born decades after Mario Savio led students in challenging the dictates of UC administrators, joined graying activists ready to throw their bodies on the gears of what they see as Pacifica's machine.

"It looks pretty '60s to me," said Telegraph Avenue denizen John Vance, sporting his trademark maroon beret. "This is the biggest thing to happen for a while," he said aloft in a

sea of humanity in Civic Center Park.

While a marcher stood dressed in a Mickey Mouse suit holding aloft a "Bury Berry" sign, Councilman Kriss Worthington intoned at Sproul Plaza "It's amazing that a corporation of any kind would have a gag rule, bring in armed guards and lockout its union employees. Whether you go to the Haas or Harvard business schools those three strikes would have you fail your courses in good management practices."

Pacifica fired commentator Larry Bensky, 22-year volunteer programmer Robbie Osman and "Flashpoints" host Dennis Bernstein for breaking a gag rule about discussing "dirty laundry" on the air. The three spoke against Pacifica's decision to not renew station manager Nicole Sawaya's contract.

Attempts by armed security to remove Bernstein from the station July 13 brought swift reaction from listeners, who surrounded the station and led to a 24-hour encampment in front of KPFA's Martin Luther King Jr. Way studios.

A brief portion of Bernstein's scuffle with guards was heard live during the 6 p.m. newscast until man-

agement interrupted the news and switched to pre-recorded music.

On Saturday, Berkeley dusted off its bullhorns and took to the streets calling for the ouster of Berry and Pacifica Executive Director Lynn Chadwick, the reopening of the station, greater local control and democratization of the national governing board.

"I've been here 30 years and this is the most moving time," said a Berkeley resident who escaped Argentina. "If this would happen where I come from we would all disappear."

While speakers from the offices of station and regional politicians heaped praise on KPFA as a lifeline for information, a man dressed in a gold lame suit with the name Mary Frances Berry taped to his back carried a dollar bill affixed to a string on a stick protruding three feet from his hat.

"Since the first of the year I haven't believed any statement that has come out of the Pacifica Board," said Alameda resident Bob Shields. Shields carried a placard with a drawing of Berry reading "Is Mary Frances Berry lying?" on one side, and "Only when her lips are moving," on the other answering his question.

Letters

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Insist schools stick to academics

The current crop of political leaders in Sacramento are pushing the socialist "It Takes A Village" mentality to its ultimate idiocy. Right now your anti-family, "big-brother" representatives in Sacramento are considering a School Health Centers bill that would, among other things:

- Establish school health centers, complete with mental health "counseling" (the kind of "help" Kip Kinkle and Eric Harris got), in California public schools, WITHOUT parental consent.

- Dispense prescription drugs, WITHOUT parental consent for 12-year-olds and above.

- Allow reproductive health services including pelvic exams, tests and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, sex education, condom and birth control pill distribution, and "referrals" for other services, WITHOUT parental consent for 12-year-olds and above.

- Require parental consent policies to be developed (???) by un-elected and unaccountable local boards.

- Establish extensive record keep-

ing requirements, unavailable and/or difficult to access for parents, on EVERY child who receives services.

And for all this invasion of family privacy, you get to foot the bill via your private health insurance! This piece of socialist garbage, AB 1363, is the brainchild of Assemblymember Susan Davis of San Diego.

Parents! Insist that schools teach academics, not socialist psycho-babble. You know. Reading, writing, and arithmetic! Schools should educate, and NOT elbow the family aside!

David F. Wiegand

Fees

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will result in approximately \$14,900 in new revenues for East Bay Sanitary during the next 24 months.

Mark Figone, general manager of East Bay Sanitary, said that increased labor, fuel and equipment costs, especially the cost for new trucks and the need for a new and larger more expensive corporation yard and building in north Richmond, resulted in the rate increase request.

The rate increase passed 3-0 by the council. Councilmembers Norma La Force and Larry Damon were absent.

KPFA — To the ramparts!

At least set up a radio dial. The council passed 2-1 a resolution supporting Berkeley's KPFA radio station as a "vital component of the East Bay community" and calling for the resignation of the Pacifica Foundation board of directors.

Language in the resolution called for the resignation of the "staff leadership" of the Pacifica Foundation was removed at the request of Gina Brustatori, who said she did not want to try to "micro-manage" the station.

The resolution states that "Pacifica Foundation, the governing board

of the Pacifica network of which KPFA is the flagship station, has precipitated a crisis by firing several staff members and placing restrictions on free speech." It also charges that Pacifica has "locked out station employees, employed armed guards and curtailed the role of the local advisory board further inflaming the dispute."

Councilman Mark Friedman, who put the resolution before the council, made a vigorous case for the resolution and the non-profit, listener-supported radio station at Monday's meeting and several times labeled the actions of the Pacifica Foundation "despicable."

"I think there is a definite nexus of interest in what's going on in KPFA and the citizenry of El Cerrito," Friedman said. "Many El Cerrito citizens are members of KPFA or staff members or volunteers."

Friedman said KPFA "is the only station that provides comprehensive coverage of local, state and national issues that dramatically affect El Cerrito."

Councilwoman Jane Bartke opposed the resolution saying the KPFA crisis does not directly affect El Cerrito and that she was upset by the resolution's call for the resignation and replacement of Pacifica Foundation's board and staff leadership. "I feel that is not our place," Bartke said.

Oakland and Berkeley had passed similar resolutions.

Tank troubles

The council Monday also unanimously authorized \$217,343 for the removal and replacement of underground gasoline and diesel fuel storage tanks located at the public safety building.

The current budget included \$159,000 for the project, but recent bids on the work ranged from a low of \$217,343 to a high of \$241,450. There was also a consultant's fee of \$24,300, which left an unbudgeted \$82,643, working from the lowest bid.

Community Development Manager Gerald Raycraft, in a report to the council, said that city staff, including police, fire, community development and administrative services personnel concluded it is in the city's best interest to retain an on-site fuel storage facility at the public safety building.

Raycraft reported that recent federal and state environmental laws require replacing all such underground fuel storage tanks with double-walled fiberglass tanks or discontinuing their use.

Money for the project will come from the capital maintenance reserve fund and an additional 10 percent contingency amount of \$21,734 was also authorized by the council.

Center

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Cerian and longtime pool partner Larry Mulenberg pointed out to children using the shower room reach the shower faucet handle and so groups of them use the shower stall. He suggested "kid-friendly" shower faucets included in any remodeling or reconstruction of the swim center facilities.

On the tour of the swim center, when areas filled with standing water and cracks in the deck were pointed out.

Proposed rehab in the pump room was examined by the participants. District Patrick Chatfield of Artech Group pointed out problems with the men's dressing room, including rot in the ceiling and leaking light seals.

The man who uses the pool year round said there is "no heat" in the changing room in the winter. "You turn it on here," he said pointing to a wall mounted "but

there's no knob on it — it's terrible."

Al Miller, a member of the swim center's citizens' advisory council, said it is important for people to insist the City Council fund maintenance for the swim center in future city budgets.

He said that maintenance for city facilities has been deferred again and again over the years and that such practice has to stop.

"We need to demand that the council set up a routine maintenance program so that five, six, eight, 10 years from now we don't find ourselves in the same place," Miller said later.

The consultants will take the designs suggested in last Saturday's

workshop and recreate them to scale and return next week to the citizens' advisory council.

The plans will be further refined down to two alternatives during the next few weeks.

Estimates of costs associated with each plan will be available Aug. 19, said Kevin Sullivan of RJM Design Group.

A public meeting is planned for the Sept. 1 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting and a final report presentation to the City Council is expected Sept. 13.

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Chamber

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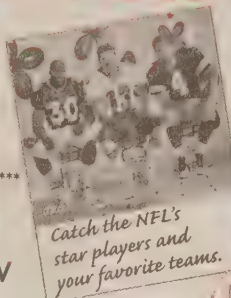
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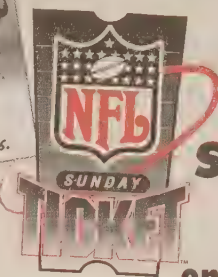
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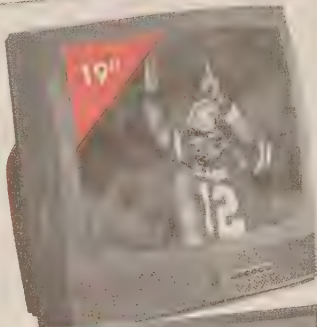


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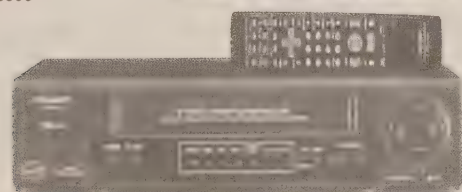
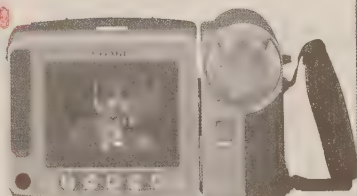
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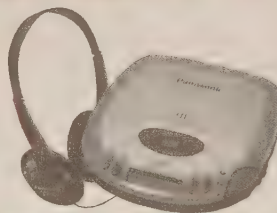


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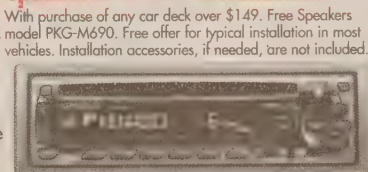
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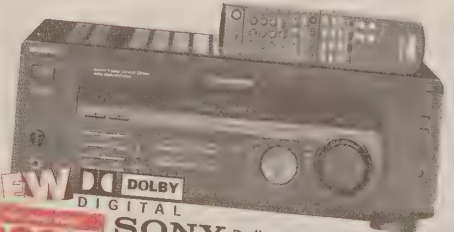
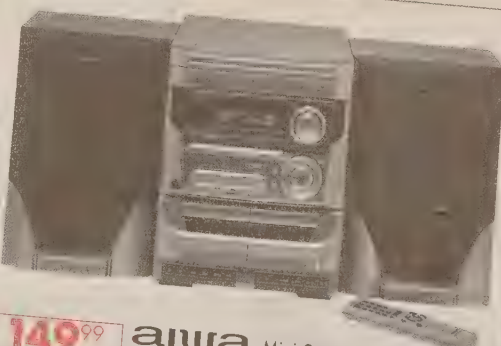
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Between the Lines

By Mike McGreehan

Cepeda's inclusion overdue

Deserving players kept out of Hall of Fame

The baseball Hall of Fame inducted one of its most illustrious classes July 25 when Robin Yount, Nolan Ryan, George Brett and Orlando Cepeda took their places among the game's immortals.

Yount, Ryan and Brett were all first-ballot selections by the Baseball Writers Association of America. Negro Leagues pitcher "Smokey" Joe Williams, turn-of-the-century Cubs manager Frank Selee and the late American League umpire Nestor Chylak were voted in by the Veterans' Committee, as was Cepeda, this year's most intriguing inductee.

Cepeda's induction finally righted a wrong that began long ago. Like Yount, Ryan and Brett, Cepeda should have been elected by the writers in his first year of eligibility, which was 1980.

But in his 15 years on the ballot, Cepeda never received the 75 percent of the writers' vote required for induction. A 1975 conviction for importing marijuana in his native Puerto Rico had sullied Cepeda's reputation and made him a persona non grata among some of the writers. But we digress.

Cepeda touched on some valid points in his induction speech, including the Hall of Fame-worthiness of Tony Perez, Tony Oliva and Luis Tiant.

Though they don't carry the baggage Cepeda had, Perez, Oliva and Tiant have yet to receive that magic phone call from Cooperstown.

Oliva's fate now lies in the hands of the Veterans' Committee. A three-time batting

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JACK SOLOMON, right, looks over his 1928 Ford Roadster with friends Gary Hartsock, center, and Paul Dobson, left, prior to Utah Salt Flats visit.

A need for speed

High school buddies take a shot at history on the Bonneville Salt Flats

By Mike McGreehan

Those of us old enough to remember when the Beatles ruled the pop charts and Sandy Koufax ruled the pitching mound might also recall that Craig Breedlove ruled the Utah's Bonneville Salt Flats at the same time.

Land speed records seemed to be constantly in the news in the early to mid-'60s, with guys like Breedlove, Art Arfons and

Tom Green catching the public's imagination.

Perhaps it was the novelty of space-age technology employed in the record-setting cars. Maybe it was just our fascination with speed. Possibly, it was because Bonneville was such a busy place in those days. Whatever the reason, attempts to set land speed records took on their own special glamour.

From August 1963 to November 1965, the top land speed was improved on eight

occasions.

Breedlove surpassed the 600-miles-per-hour barrier for the first time in 1965 in his jet-powered Spirit of America. Currently, the record belongs to Andy Green of Great Britain, who cranked up his jet-powered Thrust SSC to a supersonic 766.609 mph over the Black Rock Desert of Nevada on Oct. 15, 1997.

Until newer technologies come along,

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EC-1 Pony concludes season

All-stars place at Sanction Tourney

The El Cerrito 15-year-old Pony League team ended its season by going 2-2 in the Pony Sanction Tournament.

El Cerrito-1 finished in the top eight teams of the 16-team field, ending its season with a 15-12 record.

EC-1 began sanction play on July 13 in Pittsburg, losing to a strong Pittsburg Diamondbacks team, 10-3.

Joe Storno pitched four solid innings. However, errors cost the young EC 15-year-old squad, as it allowed eight unearned runs, seven coming in a costly fourth-inning uprising by the Diamondbacks.

Dominic Mejia singled twice and scored, and Joe Starkey doubled for El Cerrito in the game.

Back on track

EC-1 got back on track July 17 against Orinda. The game was a nailbiter that went nine innings, with EC-1 eventually winning 3-2.

Lefty Kenny Salyer pitched six innings of one-hit ball and struck out 11 batters to anchor the pitching duties. Jesse Alter pitched the final three innings to pick up the win.

EC-1 took a 1-0 lead in the first inning when Mejia singled, stole second, and took third on a wild pitch. Storno then lifted a sacrifice fly to left field to score the speedy Mejia.

EC-1 got on the board again in the third inning when Mejia walked, Storno singled, and Chase Moore singled in the second run of the game.

The game was tied 2-2 until the ninth inning, when EC-1 scored the winning run. Ardy Davaran was hit by a pitch and then advanced to second after a balk was called on the pitcher. Ben Enos then laid down a perfect sacrifice bunt to move Davaran to third. Salyer then stroked a 0-1 pitch to

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MEMBERS OF THE ACC MAVERICKS UNDER-12 GIRLS SOCCER TEAM sport their fourth-place medals after competing in the USA Cup in Minnesota. Front row (seated), l-r, Dea Wallach, Cara Wagner; middle row (kneeling), l-r, Molly Riddle, Ariana Serrano, Arden Bullard, Yesenia Martinez, Rebecca Krow-Boniske, Rebecca Williams, Nicole Hudley; back row (standing), l-r, coach Lori Ann Wagner, Jennifer Smith, Lydia Arce, Johari Harris, Sacha Maxwell, Theresa Fortune, Isabel Marquez, assistant McGregor Bullard. Not pictured, Emily Niles.

Mavericks nipped at USA Cup

ACC soccer squad finishes fourth overall

Staff report

Soccer combines fitness and skill. And when evenly-matched teams play at both ends of the field, the sport is most exciting.

Penalty-kick shootouts are another matter. Exciting, yes. Suspenseful, of course. But fitness and skill give way to luck and chance in what is often dubbed soccer's answer to Russian Roulette.

Luck was not with the Alameda Contra Costa Mavericks under-12 girls team on July 16. It was then that the Mavericks played the Eden Prairie Thunder of Minnesota in the semifinals of the USA Cup in Blaine, Minn.

The teams had played to a 1-1 draw in regulation, and the score remained tied through two overtime periods. ACC then lost the match in a high-pressure shootout.

A win would have put ACC in the

championship match against Team Chicago Select. As it was, ACC went on to finish fourth in the tournament as it lost 1-0 to the Lakeville Heat of Minnesota in the match for third place July 17.

"Never having participated in a shootout with the game on the line, it's understandable they succumbed to the pressure,"

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Albany Criterium a fun ride for all

By Scott Strain

It was a neighborhood event that was highly publicized in the tightly knit community of Bay Area bike riders. It was merely a coincidence that it was held the same day Lance Armstrong won the Tour de France.

What the Albany Criterium lacked in rank professionalism more than made up for it in community togetherness.

In a series of races around Albany High School, local bikers displayed their prowess and their brightly colored uniforms in front of a small, but appreciative crowd that lined the residential streets of this small city.

Between three and four hundred bike riders of various age groups and abilities came for a series of races that make up the Albany Criterium.

Vendors hawking energy bars and smoothies along with free coffee (a plus on this overcast day) which lent a street festival atmosphere to the gathering.

It was evident that the pros were running the event, and not only racing in it. Races were from 15 to 50 minutes and they went off on time for the most part.

Riders from an estimated 40 clubs came from around Northern California, drawn by the area, the competition - and convenience.

"What brings me here is a race close to home," said Erin Hilburn, who lives in the North Bay. "You don't have to get up at 4 in the morning to be here and that is nice. It took 30 minutes to get here. Usually we have to drive a couple of hours to get to a race."

"This is a nice course, a safe course and the people are great. It's the usual cycling crowd."

The juniors race (ages 10-16) was one of the larger races in terms of participants. All kinds of bikes, with all kinds of riders participated in this event, with the youngest (ages 10-12) racers given

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a lap lead at the start.

One 12-year-old from Sacramento bolted out to lead and actually led the older racers for a few laps, but he was brought back into the pack by the experienced racers.

Some neighborhood bikers joined the race because it was just around the corner from the homes.

"I think it's real cool," said Albany resident Mark Mansfield, 11, who was riding his mountain bike. "I skateboard more than I bike. I'd like a skateboard race around this course. I did this race last year and I may do it again."

Ronen Sarig, 10, of Albany raced against "the big kids" for the first time.

"It was good but I was tired," said Sarig. "Giving us a head start was pretty fair because the big kids were faster and they also had real (racing) bikes. Most of the little kids only had mountain bikes. I definitely like bike racing and I want to continue."

That was the general feeling among the organizers and the racers — a nice spot, good friends — friendly competition.

The Criterium celebrated its fourth year in Albany and city residents want to keep it here — it puts a low-wattage spotlight on their fair city. Everyone had fun.

Speed

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the overall land speed record will be the domain of jet- or rocket-engine cars. But records are also recognized for cars with less-powerful engines.

Guys like Oakland resident Jack Solomon and Piedmont's Gary Hartsock are quite familiar with those records. Solomon drove a 1932 Ford he co-owned with Hartsock to a speed record for F-Fuel V6 Roadsters in 1991. That car, with a 3.1-liter Chevrolet engine, traveled 196 mph.

"When the car is running right, it's really a neat feeling," says Solomon. "When it's running rotten, it's pretty frustrating. But on that day, it was running great."

This month, Hartsock and Solomon will be at it again when they try for records in two classifications at Bonneville.

First, Solomon will get behind the wheel of a replica 1928 Ford Roadster. Like the 32 Ford eight years ago, the car has a 3.1-liter Chevrolet engine and runs on nitromethane.

Then, after a change of engines, Hartsock will drive the same vehicle using a 360-cubic inch Chevy V-8 that runs on gasoline.

"The car has a fiberglass body, is low to the ground and has been extended," said Hartsock. "But it has a stock-shaped grille, which is required for the class that we run in."

Along with Solomon and Hartsock, Mike Johnston and twins Bruce and Brian Cameron are partners in the project. The five, who all went to Oakland High School back in the '50s, will leave for Bonneville on Aug. 12 along with Paul Dobson of Walnut Creek, their faithful crewman. The annual land speed festival at Bonneville will run Aug. 14-20.

For Solomon, Hartsock and all their buddies, the passion for cars began all those years ago at Oakland High.

"I've been a hot rod since high school and I still love playing with cars," says Hartsock.

Adds Solomon, a 1958 high school graduate, "It was sort of like 'American Graffiti,' but a few years earlier than that. We were always into cars in high school. Our parents thought we would outgrow it."

But the car bug stuck with them. Yes, Solomon, 58, has a career in temperature control systems and Hartsock, 61, is an engraver. This group

of friends has no sponsors, and fast cars can rapidly drain incomes. Still, their passion for automobiles and speed remains intact.

"After high school, Gary got into sports cars and I did, too," says Solomon. "We eventually got back into hot rods in the late '60s and kind of stayed with it. It's really a lot of fun."

Hartsock, a 1956 high school graduate, recalled his first trip to Bonneville.

"We've been running since 1959 with a '56 Corvette that I had," he said. "I went 150 mph with that."

From there, Hartsock, Solomon and company graduated to new wheels — and to more powerful engines, too.

The high school buddies brought their 32 Ford to Bonneville for the first time in 1967. They ran that car until its record-setting day in 1991.

Fire burns car

Not long after that, though, the Oakland Hills fire broke out. The car was stored at Solomon's house at the time. Solomon's house was destroyed. So was the car.

"That fire in '91 really set us back about eight years," says Solomon. "With the new car, we were back to Ground Zero."

The testing of a car's engine is tricky. Here in California, there is no available open, flat piece of land for test drives.

"When we get the engine to where it's dependable, we'll put it on a dynamometer," says Solomon of the instrument that tests the engine's output.

The new V6 motor in the '28 Ford isn't exactly the same one that powered the '32. But like its predecessor, it will run on nitromethane, which is a by-product of the printing industry.

"We mix it with alcohol — about 80 percent nitro and 20 percent alcohol," says Hartsock. "It almost doubles the horsepower of the motor. Of course, it also shortens the life expectancy of the motor at the same time."

Yes, nitromethane has its yang and its yin. The car goes faster but crews must constantly clean the engines.

"If you let it set in the engine overnight, it turns to glue," says Solomon. "But when the car runs right, it's like a big hand getting behind you and pushing you."

Trip to Bonneville

One of the biggest challenges to Bonneville is just getting there.

In the manner of barnstorming baseball teams of yesteryear, all travel is by land. First, the car will be mounted on a trailer and a pickup will pull the trailer.

Another vehicle will transport the second motor. In all, maybe three vehicles plus the trailer will make the long trek from Oakland to Utah.

"We'll pretty much drive straight through," says Solomon, "except for stops for eating, gas and changing drivers."

The salt at Bonneville can also take a toll on cars.

"We'll take the race car completely apart and wash it down," says Solomon. "What really takes a beating are the tow vehicles and the trailers. You try to wash them off."

Rain at Bonneville can cause a nightmare in terms of vehicle maintenance, as the salty water splashes up from underneath the car.

"The best thing that can happen is if it rains for about 20 minutes on the way home to splash up and clean underneath," says Solomon. "But that rarely happens."

Solomon and Hartsock have already enjoyed some measure of success with the '28 Ford.

In 1996, Hartsock drove a record 181 mph in the C-Fuel Roadster class. With a rebuilt motor, Hartsock looks to go faster this year. But even if no records are established this year, every trip to Bonneville is memorable.

"I've met Breedlove a couple of times," says Solomon. "I've also met (Richard) Noble, the guy who went over the sound barrier (in 1997) — Andy Green drove the car, but Noble, who set an earlier land speed record in 1983, headed the Thrust SSC project."

But the lure of land speed records goes far beyond celebrities.

"As long as I keep moving, I'll keep going," says Solomon. "You get to see people you don't normally see. There's always a nucleus of people you've seen for the last 30 years, and they're all from different walks of life — machinists, computer engineers, doctors. You also meet a lot of new people, too."

And all of those people even get to experience — at least to some extent — the thrill of speed. And the chance to possibly watch history in the making.

Lines

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champion, four-time doubles leader and five-time hits leader, the 1964 American League Rookie of the Year deserves a place in the Hall.

Tiant's 229 career wins and .571 winning percentage compare favorably to some pitchers already in the Hall of Fame. Besides, he was always a "money" pitcher, a guy who came through many times with clutch performances on the mound.

"Clutch" in baseball, though, usually refers to hitting. Tony Perez symbolized clutch hitting for most of his 23-year career. Of all the holdover candidates on the writers' ballot, Perez is the most deserving.

Perez had a knack for coming up with a big hit when his team needed it most. He had at least 90 RBI for 11 straight seasons from 1967 through 1977. His 105 RBI with the Red Sox in 1980 gave him a seventh season with at least 100 RBI. His 1,652 career RBI are the most by any eligible player not in the Hall of Fame.

Perez was a team player and a key figure on the great Cincinnati Reds teams from the 1970s. It's no coincidence that the Big Red Machine began to falter when Perez was traded to the Expos before the 1977 season. It's also no coincidence that Perez helped the Expos reach a level of respectability they had never enjoyed.

Cepeda's induction should help Perez when the Hall of Fame distributes its ballots to the writers again in December. But if Perez doesn't make it, he stands a chance of becoming another Gil Hodges.

Hodges, the star first baseman from the great postwar Brooklyn Dodgers teams of the 1940s and '50s, holds the distinction as the man with the most

Hall of Fame votes. Trouble is, Hodges couldn't put enough of them together in any one year to gain election.

Most baby boomers likely remember Hodges best as the manager who guided the Mets to their improbable 1969 World Series championship. But Hodges had an impressive playing career, which ended in 1963.

Hodges finished with 370 career home runs and enjoyed seven straight 100-RBI seasons from 1949 through 1955. He also deserves a Hall of Fame plaque. Hodges died two days short of his 48th birthday in 1972. Too bad he isn't around to enjoy an honor he should have received in his lifetime.

Oliva, Tiant, Perez and Hodges are just a handful of deserving players still awaiting induction. Dale Murphy, with 398 home runs and two National League MVP awards, goes on the writers' ballot for the second time later this year.

Dwight Evans, with his eight Gold Gloves, 385 home runs, 1,470 runs and 1,384 RBI needs to have his candidacy revived after failing to receive five percent of the vote last time. In Evans' case, the writers let one slip through the cracks. He belongs in the Hall. So does Evans' former teammate Jim Rice, who finished with 382 career home runs.

Another deserving candidate is Rocky Colavito, who had three 40-home run seasons and six years of 100 or more RBI in a career that spanned the years 1955-68.

A couple of great National League third basemen, Ron Santo and Ken Boyer, are also worthy of induction. So is Dave Concepcion, baseball's premier shortstop for nearly a decade in the '70s and early '80s. Bill Mazeroski set a standard for defense among second basemen. He wasn't shabby as a hitter, either. His exclusion from the Hall is mind-boggling.

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Pony

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right field to drive in the winning run.

Alter put down the heart of the Orinda order in the bottom of the ninth to preserve the win for EC-1.

EC-1 resumed play July 19th against Redding, winning that game, 8-2. Storno pitched a complete game, fanning seven Redding batters, to pick up the win. EC-1 jumped to a 5-0 lead in the second inning to take control of the game. Davaran walked to start the offensive fireworks for EC-1. Joe Starkey and Derek Yow then reached base on errors, scoring Davaran from third. Gabe Mello followed by stroking a two-RBI single to left field.

After Alter reached base on an error, Mejia crushed a long double over the center fielder's head to score Mello and Alter.

EC-1 scored again in the third inning when Derek Yow singled, advanced to third when Alter singled to left, and scored on another RBI single by Mejia, who finished the game with three RBIs.

In the fifth inning, Davaran and Starkey singled, scoring on a two-RBI single by Yow.

El Cerrito-1's run of victories came to a halt on July 22 against a strong Vacaville squad. El Cerrito jumped to an early 2-0 first inning lead. Alter walked, stole second, advanced to third on a single by Mejia, and scored on a wild pitch. Mejia then stole sec-

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Mavericks

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Mavericks coach Lori Ann Wagner said of her players after their semifinal loss. "They reached down deep and gave their all and then some. I'm really proud of them."

Team Chicago Select, by the way, went on to win the title with a 2-0 win over the Eden Prairie Thunder. The tough match against the Mavericks the previous day most likely had drained the Thunder of some of its energy.

The Mavericks consist of 16 girls, ages 11 and 12, who reside in Berkeley, Albany, El Cerrito and San Pablo. The players represent the diversity of the East Bay as they come from various economic, cultural and social backgrounds.

The USA Cup is generally regarded as the premier youth age-group soccer tournament in the country. This year's tournament not only

featured top teams from the United States, but from 25 other countries as well.

ACC played in the Cup division, the most competitive for its age group. ACC opened the tournament with a 1-0 win over Team Evanston of Illinois. Dea Wallach scored the goal and goalie Emma Kemp had an outstanding match.

Then Mavericks lost to their next two group games by identical 1-0 scores. The first loss was to Eden Prairie and the second to the Woodbury Dominators of Minnesota.

Still, the Mavericks advanced to the playoffs, where they beat the Appleton Blast of Wisconsin 2-0 in a first-round contest.

Yesenia Martinez scored both goals for the Mavericks. Isabel Marquez assisted on the first goal and Cara Wagner on the second.

Defense played a key role in this match and all subsequent matches. Central defenders Marquez and Nicole Hudley were superb, as were mark-

ing backs Rebecca Williams, Ariana Serrano and Johari Harris.

Lydia Arce provided strong goal-keeping throughout the playoffs.

After beating Appleton, the Mavericks advanced to the quarterfinals to face the previously unbeaten Aiea Jammers of Hawaii.

Martinez again scored twice to power ACC to yet another 2-0 win. One of Martinez's goals was unassisted. Rebecca Krow-Boniske assisted on the other.

In the semifinal against Eden Prairie, Marquez lined a shot into the net for ACC's only score.

Central midfielders Sacha Maxwell and Arden Bullard distributed the ball well and controlled the tempo throughout the tournament for ACC. Outside midfielders Theresa Fortune, Wagner, Molly Riddle and Krow-Boniske made excellent crosses from the wings.

Martinez, Wallach and Jennifer Smith provided inspired forward play. McGregor Bullard is the team's assistant coach.

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Richard Risso can now see the truth in the thespian adage that once an actor has reached a suitable age to provide the lifetime of experience necessary to play the role of King Lear, then the body is no longer physically able to accommodate the part.

In his late 60s and playing Lear for the third time after a 24-year hiatus, Risso says, "I wish I knew then what I know now but had the energy I had then."

When Risso was brought into the company of the California Shakespeare Festival this season, he was told he would not have to appear in the other productions. Playing Lear alone would fulfill his professional duties.

As Charles Laughton said, doing this play is somewhat akin to climbing Mt. Everest. But I think in this play you can never reach the peak. You can always sense there is another station one can ascend," Risso said.

This summer, the California Shakespeare Festival has been taking audiences on a chronological tour through the Bard's career. From the inconstancies of a fledgling playwright in "Two Gentlemen of Verona" to an ambitious mixture of comedy and brutality in "The Merchant of Venice," this journey now stops at "King Lear," often lauded as Shakespeare's greatest drama and arguably his most profound tragedy.

"King Lear" was selected by the festival to represent the pinnacle of Shakespeare's study of human character and the power of language. (The last CSF production this season is "The Tempest," chosen because it marks the end of Shakespeare's prime) Risso's challenge to embody all Shakespeare asks of Lear physically, emotionally and experientially is simply the external manifestation of the complexities of the play.

According to director Denis Arndt, "the scope of the play is almost immeasurable. The fact that mere humans can even do this play is astonishing."

"King Lear" is a look at a dysfunctional family in pre-Christian Britain. An aging King Lear plans for his retirement by splitting his estate among his three daughters, favoring his most treasured Cordelia, and then going to France where Cordelia's marriage to a French nobleman will let him retain control of a third of his kingdom.

His not-so-best-laid plans go awry when family members fail to fall in line and leave Lear to become a victim of his own circumstance. It is our observation of how a man's skewed inner-vision of the world affects external experience that creates the tragedy of "King Lear."

"The play is not played for effect, as the comedies or the more formal tragedies. The actors initial response is to play the tragedy, as opposed to playing the circumstances in the play as they act upon the characters," said Arndt.

"None of these characters has any omniscience. They are very much caught in their circumstances, caught in their time."

The "mere humans" at CSF who have been given the responsibility of interpreting such remarkable material are particularly appreciative of the depths of human experience and expression Shakespeare achieves in "Lear" after psyching up through their

roles in the previous productions.

Allison Marich is having the time of her life playing Portia every night in "Merchant." But once rehearsals for "Lear" began, she started to find herself inexplicably pulled toward her role as Regan, Lear's daughter.

"At night, I'm on stage most of the time. But when I'm off stage, I want to work on "Lear," but I just can't. It affects me greatly," she said.

Patrick Kerr can trace the evolution of Shakespeare's use of humor as he has gone from playing the clown Speed in "Two Gentleman," a character detached from the action of the play, to being the Fool in "Lear."

"As Speed, I felt like it was falling off a log, basically. It was an easy, less sophisticated role, like vaudeville where we came out and told jokes. The Fool in "Lear" is not at all clear, there are responsibilities to do so much more. By the time the Fool comes out, he is part of the psyche," Kerr explained.

The responsibility of telling this tragedy is not left in the hands of the CSF creative team alone. Arndt says the true brilliance of Shakespeare's "Lear" is the emotional participation of the audience.

"It is an experiential reality, not an intellectual one. It's not like I don't feel this tragedy; the character is feeling it for me. We just sit there and watch the circumstances and say, 'My god,' said Arndt.

HOT SHEET!

■ **Artistic Productions** presents a production called "A Christmas Carol" which opens on Friday, Aug. 6, at the University of California, Berkeley, 6100 Broadway, Oakland, Ca. 94602. Tickets: \$15-\$25.

■ **Theatre Company** Ensemble presents a production called "The Merchant of Venice" which opens on Friday, Aug. 6, at the University of California, Berkeley, 6100 Broadway, Oakland, Ca. 94602. Tickets: \$15-\$25.

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EVENTS

-Oakland Musical

Anniversary Productions announces the August premiere of "A Shirtwaist Tale," a full length musical set in 1909 in New York City's Lower East Side.

The show is steeped in the tradition of klezmer style music and turn-of-the-century American tunes. It tells the story of the shirtwaist-makers strike of 30,000 mostly young, mostly Yiddish speaking immigrant girls. It is a story of survival as these shirtwaist-makers take on the garment industry and fight for shorter hours and better wages. All performances are fully staged and feature a four piece klezmer band.

The world premiere of "A Shirtwaist Tale" is scheduled for Aug. 6, and will run through Aug. 22 on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. at College Preparatory School, 6100 Broadway, Oakland. Tickets are \$15 general; \$12 students, seniors, and groups.

For tickets and information, call 550-0592.

ArtShip Festival

On Aug. 7, from noon-6 p.m. ArtShip Foundation is a nonprofit organization founded and directed since 1992 by Slobodan Dan Paich. The foundation is presenting this music and arts festival to celebrate the arrival of a 490-foot, restored Naval ship renamed ArtShip as a floating major arts and cultural destination.

It will also be the only U.S. residence of the International Peace University of Berlin. To volunteer before, during or after the ceremony, call 836-3273.

GMA events

Jacqueline Lasahn Astrological Forecast and Eclipse Ritual, Aug. 8 at 3 p.m. Celebrate the search for awakening with Tibetan Bells and vocalization with Lasahn, astrologer and ritualist. Located 1400 Shattuck Ave. in Berkeley. For information, call 548-4178.

Woodminster musicals

Producers Associates has announced the three family musicals that will entertain Bay Area residents this summer in their 33rd consecutive season at Woodminster Amphitheater in Joaquin Miller Park.

"Guys & Dolls," a musical fable of Broadway on Aug. 6-8, 12-15 and "Forever Plaid," the story of four male singers and the nostalgic pop hits of the '50s on Sept. 3-5, and 9-12.

Woodminster's summer of shows are excellent for introducing children to live musical theater.

For each adult ticket purchased, the amphitheater will provide one free children's ticket for a child under 16 years of age.

Children's seats are available on the evening of the performance and there are some restrictions. The amphitheater is under the direction and choreography of Jim and Harriet Schladerer's Producers.

Woodminster Amphitheater is located in the hills of Oakland's Joaquin Miller Park, with a sweeping panoramic view of San Francisco, the bay and the Peninsula. More than 30,000 people each year attend the summer musicals at Woodminster.

Season tickets are available for \$35.70, \$53.55 and \$63.75, a 15 percent discount off ticket prices.

Tickets for individual shows are available for \$14, \$21 and \$25 for adults and \$12, \$19 and \$23 for children and seniors. Fund-raising groups or groups of more than 25 may purchase tickets for the Thursday, Friday or Sunday performances at half price. Additional group rates and picnic spaces are also available. For more information, contact Woodminster Amphitheater/Producers Associates, Inc. at 531-9597, or its Web site at www.woodminster.com.

— Ari Soglin

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Jazz festival to honor saxman Jim Pepper

By Andrew Gilbert

In 1990, guitarist Joel Harrison had recently settled in Berkeley when he happened to catch tenor saxophonist **Jim Pepper** performing at Yoshi's as part of the first Eddie Moore Jazz Festival. Though highly respected by his peers, Pepper recorded only a handful of albums, forging a style that blended avant-garde jazz with gospel, blues and his ancestral Native American music.

The Eddie Moore set turned out to be one of Pepper's last gigs before he passed away from lymphoma at 50. Nine years later, Harrison has put together a tribute to Pepper on the second night of the 10th annual Eddie Moore Jazz Festival at Yoshi's, Aug. 9-15.

"There's a very universal feeling to his music," says Harrison, a musician with equally far-flung musical interests. "It's very grass roots and emotional, and I really responded to that. I share his love of all different kinds of roots music. I share with him the desire to have music be spiritually uplifting as well as fun."

The key to making the tribute work was finding the right personnel, because Pepper's music is a

deceptively simple, idiosyncratic blend of styles. A largely self-taught musician, Pepper was an early fusion pioneer in the late '60s with Free Spirits, a band that also featured drummer Bob Moses and guitarist Larry Coryell. Moses was the first musician Harrison recruited for the tribute, followed by tenor titan **Dewey Redman** (Joshua Redman's father), who was already coming out to the festival as part of a Living Legends tribute to drummer **Billy Higgins**.

Pianist **Amina Claudine Myers**, a player as comfortable in avant-garde settings as in blues-drenched jam sessions, is a deeply soulful player steeped in gospel. Local reed master **Pan Hanson**, bassist **Kai Eckhardt** and vocalist **Raz Kennedy** round out the septet.

Since none of the four albums Pepper recorded as a leader are available on CD, the best way to experience his playing is on Paul Motian's inventive mid-'80s Soul Note albums, where Pepper holds his own with fellow tenor saxophonist Joe Lovano, and on Charlie Haden's classic ECM album "Ballad of the Fallen." Pepper's greatest contribution, however, was the original, open-hearted, genre-defying music he created. Considering jazz's om-

EDDIE MOORE JAZZ FESTIVAL

Jazz in Flight's 10th annual Eddie Moore Jazz Festival is Aug. 9-15 at Yoshi's at Jack London Square, 510 Embarcadero West, Oakland. Call 510-238-9200. All shows are 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. except Aug. 15, which are 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Schedule includes:

- **AUG. 9** — Vinny Golia's Large Ensemble; \$16, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 10** — Jim Pepper tribute, with Joel Harrison, Amina Claudine Myers, Dewey Redman, Bob Moses; \$20, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 11** — Bill Hart Septet; \$25, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 12** — Albert Mangelsdorff Trio with Billy Hart and Santi Debriano; \$30, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 13** — Living Legend Tribute: Billy Higgins Quartet with Dewey Redman, Charnett Moffett and Bobby Bradford; \$30, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 14** — Timeless All-Stars, with Billy Higgins, Bobby Hutcherson, Cedar Walton, Curtis Fuller, Harold Land and David Williams; \$30, \$50 (gold circle, reserved seating)
- **AUG. 15** — Michele Rosewoman and Quintessence, with Craig Handy and Antonio Hart; \$5-\$30 2 matinee, \$30-\$50 8 p.m. show)

nivorous nature, it's striking that Pepper and the late pianist Don Pullen are virtually the only jazz musicians who have explored American Indian music (though Pepper was encouraged by avant-garde icons Ornette Coleman and Don Cherry).

"I always loved Native-American music," Harrison says. "It's the least known of any music made on this continent, very difficult to find and even more difficult to pene-

trate its essence and meaning and technique. To see somebody bring that type of sound into jazz was really incredible."

While Harrison often explores bumper emotional terrain than Pepper with his unsettling, moody soundscapes, Pepper's playing is marked by a persistent and infectious optimism.

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Bay Area Children's Theatre Festival

Berkeley

We love: This weekly festival is a chance to take your kids to see several different professional theater acts. Your kid likes the circus? They've got it. Your kid likes music? Got that, too. Your kid doesn't know what he likes? No problem.

What you need to know first: The Bay Area Children's Theatre Festival presents four different performances that repeat each month at the Julia Morgan Center for the Arts. Derique the Techno Clown and his daughter perform the first Sunday, and are followed by the San Francisco School of Circus Arts on the second Sunday. Several different acts, including a magician, storyteller, puppet company and others perform the third week in what's billed "A Vaudeville Children's Hour ... Or So." On the fourth Sunday, kids perform a musical comedy, "How to Eat Like a Child ... and Other Lessons in Not Being a Grownup."

What's to do: The musical is appealing to kids of all ages, and little kids in particular like the circus and clown acts. Some of the shows are big on audience participation.

Pitfalls: Parking is a bummer. If you're driving, allow some extra time to hunt for a spot.

To get there: The theater is at 2640 College Ave., Berkeley. From Interstate 80, take Ashby Avenue. Go east toward the UC-Berkeley campus, and then go left on Col-

lege. From Highway 24, take the Highway 13 exit to Ashby and go right onto College. The theater is just a few blocks north of Ashby. For public transportation, take an AC Transit bus, which you can catch at the Ashby BART station.

And furthermore: The historic theater was originally designed in 1908 by Julia Morgan as St. John's Presbyterian Church. The 27,000-square-foot structure now has a theater, studios and classrooms. The theater can hold up to 500 people.

Where to go to eat: Snacks are sold at the theater. And the timing of the shows — 2 p.m. except for today, when it starts at 11 a.m. — gives you a chance to stop for lunch first. A small grocery sells sandwiches across from the theater, but there are no restaurants in the vicinity. You'll find a bigger selection of places to grab a bite further south on College Avenue. Again, parking will be a challenge.

Hours: Show times are 2 p.m. every Sunday through Nov. 28. (Exceptions: There is no show the fifth Sunday of the month — which would be Aug. 29 and Oct. 31.) Performances last 60 to 90 minutes.

Costs: Ticket prices are \$12.50 adults; \$6.50 children. Kids under 3 get in free, and other discount coupons are available. Ask at the door. Admission is free on your birthday — kids or adults.

Call: 510-84-JULIA (510-845-8542).



Taking the kids

CIRCUS SOOZEE performs for the kids on Sundays at the Bay Area Children's Theatre Festival in Berkeley.

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Multimedia Notes

By Bill Mann

Different pollution permeates morning air in Bay Area

FM in the AM's — More Cackling Than You'd Hear in Your Average Henhouse: We have to think things are different in the Bay Area, and in many ways they are. The rest of the country swelters in the summer heat, and here we have near-perfect weather in the '70s. (And having lived around the country, I can attest to the fact that, with the possible exception of Honolulu, Oakland has THE best weather of any major U.S. city).

We see rampant bigotry, mean-spirited Christian fundamentalists, and Right to Life's, and nasty homophobia elsewhere, and here we only shake our heads. If those who live here, and they probably do, are a little noticed and small in number, fortunately. Plus, we like to think we eat better here and get more sleep, more often, and that's probably true.

OK, all that being said, why is morning radio here generally so good? We hear the same kind of music on FM music radio here as we hear in every other major market. In much of morning-drive music radio in the Bay Area, people and little humor rules. But these wacky morning crews all over the FM dial DO crack each other up, don't they? Where to be-

Remember those charming SF radio ads for former 1-900 phone-sex operator **Darian O'Toole** that read "Ovaries With Attitude"? Please remember that they didn't read "Ovaries With Talent." Truth in advertising.

The ludicrously overpaid O'Toole, now holding forth mornings on rock-olies outlet KSBX-FM (97.7), is striking a real blow for feminism by proving daily that women can be just as puerile as us guys. All Boddy Functions Radio, the time! At KSBX in the morning, even the butt jokes are oldies! O'Toole once worked at "Big 98.1," which was blown up by Dallas-based megaconglomerate Chancellor (485 stations owned, and counting) two years ago and replaced with R&B oldies station "Kiss-FM." O'Toole's former KMBL Morning Zoo/er/longtime Oakland resident Ronnel (Brooks-Moon) is now holding forth mornings. He actually acts like an adult most of the time, and usually on morning music FM radio.

Another notable exception is KBLX's low-key morning man, **Kevin Brown**, an interestingly rare class act in local morning radio. The pleasant Brown is far quieter than he is funny. But over on Chancellor-owned "Wild 94.9's" dismal morning "Dog House" daily exercise in silliness, former South Bay tonsils and Elvis have their morning "giddy goin' on," using the kind of dumbbun, mean-spirited material that made "Big Rick" (Bite Me) Chase, the dismal morning competition over on KTEL-FM (yes, Chancellor Broadcasting again), such a great big hit. And we mean big. (By the way, can you possibly mention the Summer Jam a few more times, KMBL? I hear this year's slogan is: "More Hits — and Even More Metal Detectors!"). All three of these guys — Bite Me and the great twins, as well as their morning posers of sycophants — would hang out with halfwits. It would give them someone to look up to.

Do I even need to mention that ratings are good and that, of course, justifies the air pollution they create weekday mornings? Their nasty e-mail to me, not surprisingly, indicates they are convinced it does. The "Wild"

by the way, has been running charming Lose-Your-Virginity contest that, in a simpler, less "enlightened" time, might not have so easily escaped the FCC's notice. And one might think that Chase, who was Flip Fryer on KITS years ago (real name: George Fryer — he hates it when I print that), might be getting a bit long in the tooth to still be pandering to teens, but the man, if nothing else, is a survivor.

Still, for pure annoyance, it's hard to beat the preternaturally obnoxious and juvenile **Vinnie**, the late Haskell of local radio, over at Alice@97.3's flaccid morning show. Commonly heard sentiment among Bay Area broadcasters: "Everyone knows Vinnie's morning show. Sarah, is the talented one?" So why isn't she allowed to talk more often? Ah, the mysteries of FM radio. ... In a perfect world,

Jazz

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"His music is amazingly happy," Harrison says. "I'm not so sure he was a happy person in his daily life. There's a lot of stories about his wild side. But his music is remarkably buoyant and joyful."

SPEAKING OF JOYFUL ...

The subject of this year's Eddie Moore Festival Living Legend Tribute, drummer **Billy Higgins**, infuses every gig he plays with pas-

sion and unconcealed delight. Long recognized as one of jazz's most musical drummers, Higgins has ridden a wave of affection and appreciation since regaining his health after his 1996 liver transplant. The well-conceived two-night Living Legend tribute focuses both on his role as an innovator and the strong ties he's forged with fellow improvisers.

The Festival's Aug. 13 concert centers on the music of the revolutionary **Ornette Coleman Quartet**, with whom Higgins first made his reputation as one of jazz's most

subtle and flexible masters of the trap set. The band features tenor giant Dewey Redman, bassist **Charnett Moffett** and the brilliant but underappreciated trumpeter **Bobby Bradford**, who was also a charter member of Coleman's band in the early L.A. years.

Aug. 14 brings Higgins together with a group of redoubtable veterans known as the **Timeless All-Stars**, featuring tenor man **Harold Land**, vibraphonist **Bobby Hutcherson**, trombonist **Curtis Fuller**, pianist **Cedar Walton** and bassist **David Williams**. With some varia-

tion in personnel, the group has recorded a number of albums in the past two decades under the **Timeless** name (which came about not from immodesty but because the first album was on the **Timeless** label). But the connections between most of these musicians go back at least 35 years, to the glory days of the **Blue Note** label. Call 510-238-9200 for tickets or info.

Send tips on jazz happenings to Andrew Gilbert at jazzscribe@aol.com.

Events

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Nick Baron Puppets

The Oakland Public Library will be hosting the Nick Baron Puppets presenting "Tales from the Enchanted Forest." Act I, "The Biggest Little Bug" is about a little bug who learns a surprising lesson about being grown up. Act II, "The Grumpy Old Tree," features a cranky tree who learns about his important role in the lives of the animals from the Enchanted Forest.

These free family programs will be showing at the following branches this summer. For information, call one of these branches of the Oakland Public Library.

■ Aug. 11, 10:30 am—Lakeview Branch, 550 El Embarcadero, 238-7344.

Museum of California

■ Aug. 1 - Posters American Style. Local artists represented in the exhibition Posters American Style discuss their work and the impact of posters on the California scene. Art Special Gallery, 3 p.m. Free with museum admission.

■ Aug. 8 - Posters American Style. Local artists represented in the exhibition Posters American Style discuss their work and the impact of posters

on the California scene. Art Special Gallery, 3 p.m. Free day at museum.

■ Aug. 13 - Cave Diving in Mexico. Ron Winkler, underwater cave photographer, shows slides of the fantastic underwater cave formations of the Yucatan Peninsula's Nohoch, the longest surveyed cave system in the world, as part of the lecture series in the ongoing exhibition "California Underground: Our Caves and Subterranean Habitats." Lecture Hall, 7:30 p.m. Free.

Modern Dance

Moving Arts Dance Collective (MADCo) presents a celebration of Modern Dance, premiering four original works from nationally recognized choreographers Tandy Beal, Cliff Keuter and MADCo Artistic Director Anandha Ray. The performance will be held Aug. 6, 8 p.m. at the Dean Lesher Regional Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Drive in Walnut Creek. Tickets are \$16 general admission, \$12 for students, seniors and children. For tickets and information, call the Center ticket office at (925) 943-SHOW.

Local Art Exhibit

The Gallery at Temescal Cafe announces its newest show "Buildings, landscapes, dreamscapes: Oil pastels by Pam Fingado."

Fingado, who has been an artist and teacher for 30 years, creates large images of very quiet streetscapes and individual buildings. She is currently living in El Cerrito and bases her pastel drawings on her own photographs. Her work has been shown in several local exhibitions.

Starting Aug. 12 and going through Oct. 12, the gallery is located at 4920 Telegraph Ave., Oakland. Hours are 7 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, and 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sundays. For information, call 524-1737 or 595-4102.

Family Sun-Days

Top of the Bay Family Sun-Days Sundays, Aug. 8, and Aug. 22, noon-3 p.m. Welcome to the great LHS outdoors! It's the perfect place to enjoy a family concert relax while the kids are involved in fun outdoor science activities, and admire the best view in the Bay Area.

A series of four "Top of the Bay" Family Sundays will feature outdoor musical entertainment and science fun for the entire family. Concert and activities are included with museum admission.

Bloco Steel Drum Band, July 25, performances at noon and 1:30 p.m. Bloco is made up of young people from the East Bay Center of the Performing Arts.

Tap your feet to the sounds of music that combine jazz, Brazilian samba and West Indian calypso with contemporary hip-hop and house styles.

La Pena Programs

Aug. 10 Concert: La Gran Noche del Charango: Horacio Duran, one of the founders of the international acclaimed music ensemble, Inti-Illimani and charango player extraordinaire, performs an evening of charango music. He is joined by other charango players from the Bay Area at 8 p.m.

Cafe de La Pena will be open Tuesday, Aug. 10, for this special event and will be serving empanadas, wine and beer.

The Aug. 13 concert features Jaranon y Bochinche, the soul of black Peru.

Jaranon y Bochinche's music and dance reflect the African roots of the coastal region of Peru. Performance is at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door.

The Claremont Gallery

New exhibit starts Aug. 8 and runs through November entitled "Southwest Passages." A reception will be held Aug. 8, from 3:33 p.m. to 6:06 p.m. Located 2907 Claremont Ave., Berkeley.

For information call 848-9300.



YOUNG RINGMASTER Johnathan Lee Iverson leads R. Barnum & Bailey's "Greatest Show on Earth," which opens at the Arena Wednesday, Aug. 18. The show runs through Sunday Aug. 22. Tickets cost from \$10.75 to \$35. Call 510-762-BASS

Mann

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"Bite Me," Vinnie, the Dogmeat Duo and Darian would all be doing the quickie-special announcements on the PA at Payless. And we haven't even mentioned the patently offensive, anti-female lyrics of a lot of the music the two urban stars pander ...

Our perennial winner for Highest Salary to Talent Ratio in Bay Area radio goes to ... the envelope, please ... KFR's astoundingly lame alleged morning personality, Cammy Blackstone. When she was starting out on KNBR, Cams actually made Frank Dill look talented ... Another rare class act is Kristi "I Can't Act, But I Have a Great Smile" Yamaguchi's TV playmate, K-101 morning man Don Bleu, who makes more money than any of the above (\$500K a year) and probably deserves it. You may not care for the Elton Jones/Celine Freon-type music K-101 plays, but Bleu, unlike most of the above, actually has talent.

If your kids are tuning in "Wild," KMEL, KSAN, or "Alice" in the morning, you might want to listen to those stations for a few minutes and then ask them why they've opted for the bottom of the barrel. Just a suggestion from a parent.

Live-105's Howard Stern is getting amazing ratings, so it's not surprising so many of the above are trying to emulate him. There's one difference: Stern has talent and they don't. Yes, Howard may be juvenile, and, yes, he pushes the limit of good taste at times, but when Stern is on, he's unbeatable. Actually, as far as local music stations go, Stern is the best choice for most who want some humor. Some of the brightest and most talented people in the business, KQED's Michael Krasny and KGO's Ronn Owens, are also closet Stern fans. I've just outed them — as well as myself. No, I don't defend a lot of what Stern does, but I've been listening to him on and off since a friend at New York's KNBC began sending me tapes of his show in 1984 ... The classiest acts of all in morning drive: KCBS's Al Hart, the ulti-

mate pro, and, on the music side, pleasant and well-informed former KKKH morning man Bill Leuth, now working a.m.'s at classical KDFC. But for each Hart and Leuth, there are two or three no-class hacks working in this market ... And yes, there is always the alternative of NPR.

Local Media Notes: The headline I used on my column this week at CBS MarketWatch.com about the ridiculous siege at Berkeley's KPFA Radio: "Vegetarians at the Gate." This silly story has been almost as overplayed as the JFK Jr. coverage ... More East Bay people in the news: Oakland PC recycler James Baggett got a nice plug on the "CBS Evening News" last weekend. Baggett's company has refurbished 4,000 PCs, and a good thing, too: The CBS piece claimed that each used computer contains, on average, seven pounds of lead and other toxic materials ... And the Wall Street Journal recently gave a nice plug to Berkeley bookstore Dark Carnival in a piece on the booming fish bumper-sticker industry. Dark Carnival sells the pucky and popu-

lar "Gefilte" fish and dozens of others - including a grinning Prozac fish and a gay pride fish sporting a pink triangle. When I got my first Darwin fish three years ago, it disappeared from my Honda within three days ... Longtime KABL morning man Bill Moen, ever the class act, has been

watching the de-evolution of morning radio we detailed above from a small station up in Lakeport. The longtime Shakespeare buff sighs and says, "I'm glad I got out of the business when I did. He says of his contemporaries, 'When we left, the door was opened for what the Sweet Swan

of Avon called 'who commit the newest ways.'"

Moen adds, "Oh, my poor people, once again, believe me, the new inhabitants—the actual-

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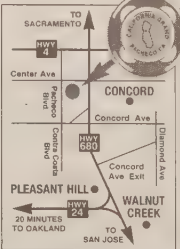
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Classes

Yoga Community College announces its fall travel industry classes beginning Thursday, Aug. 19. Classes are for careers as tour operators, travel agents, cruise line and airline reservations, tour leaders and others. Call 841-8431 for additional information.

Program for Adult College Education (PACE) Fall 1999 is open for enrollment at Vista Community College. Enrollment continues through Saturday, Sept. 4. PACE is a college alternative for adults with job and family responsibilities. The program allows the completion of freshman and sophomore years in two and a half to three years, allowing students to transfer to a four-year college. Classes are held one evening a week and several Saturdays. Call 841-0303 or e-mail scoop@pace@comcast.net for enrollment information.

Learn Your Rights When Dealing with the Police, a free three-hour program teaches how to observe police and to help prevent police brutality. It is a grassroots, all-volunteer organization, which works to defend the rights of everyone under the law. For additional information, call 548-0425.

Stories/College and Ceramics classes forming at St. John's Senior Center, 2727 College Ave., Tuesday mornings 9 a.m. to noon. All are welcome. Free. Sponsored by Berkeley Adult School. Teachers are Diana Bohn and Judith Carroll. Call 845-6830 for additional information.

Temporary Women's Issues class is forming at the North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst St. Free class offered by the Berkeley Adult School, taught by Judith Carroll, MFCC. Friday mornings 10 a.m. to noon. Open to all women 55 or older. Call 644-6107 for additional information.

Dance and Fitness Classes open to all in Lamorco, Afro-Brazilian, belly dance, salsa, swing, ballroom, tap, thea dance, yoga, chi gung, tai chi, and more at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. Drop in fees: \$8-10. Information: 848-6370.

Swing and Jitterbug: 7 p.m. beginning classes, 8 p.m. intermediate, 9 p.m. dance classes beginning the

first Tuesday of the month; Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut, Berkeley; Diana Castillo, 549-3591; \$40 for four classes.

Children

"Theater Rats," Julia Morgan's kid's theater camp program, offers swimming, singing, dancing, acting, and field games as some of its exciting activities. The camp is a two-week session for kids 6-14. Call 683-7023 for additional information.

Health

YWCA Health and Community Education: drop in classes in dance, fitness, yoga, martial arts and more; University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way; 848-6370; \$8 - \$10.

Community

Access to Software for All People (ASAP), 2070 Allston Way, Suite 2, presents its Fourth Annual Summer Open House on Thursday, Aug. 12 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Refreshments and presentations. Call 540-7457 for additional information.

The University of California Botanical Garden announces extended hours for the summer, continuing through Labor Day, Sept. 6. During this period the garden will be open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. every day. Summer hours offer the opportunity to relax in the Garden after work, and to enjoy a picnic supper on the lawn or in the Redwood Grove. Plan some quiet time to take advantage of the soft evening light and the magnificent site. The Botanical Garden is located on Centennial Drive in Strawberry Canyon behind the Memorial Stadium. Call 643-2755 for more information or directions.

Toastmasters, do it now. Stand up and say what you mean. Come practice—Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. at 700 Heinz Ave. Call 883-6708 for additional information.

Civil Rights activists needed. Write the ACLU chapter of Berkeley, Albany, Richmond, and Kensington. P.O. Box 11141, Berkeley, CA, 94701.

The City of El Cerrito is accepting job applications for 1999 Summer Employment, day camp and pool staff positions. Ages 15 plus (must have job permit if under 18). Ages 12 + for volunteers. Applications may be picked up at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information call 215-4370.

"Work Buddies": volunteers needed to perform volunteer work with people in early stage Alzheimer's Disease. Minimum six-month commitment, two to three hours per week. Training provided. Contact Nannette Lipton, 644-9292.

Psychic Healing clinic: 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays; free clinic at the Academy for Psychic Studies in Berkeley, aura cleansing, stress relief. 1-800-642-9355.

SMART project: the Alcohol Research Group in Berkeley is conducting a study to compare the cost and effectiveness of two kinds of substance abuse treatment: medical model day treatment and social model day treatment. By calling 1-888-249-8802

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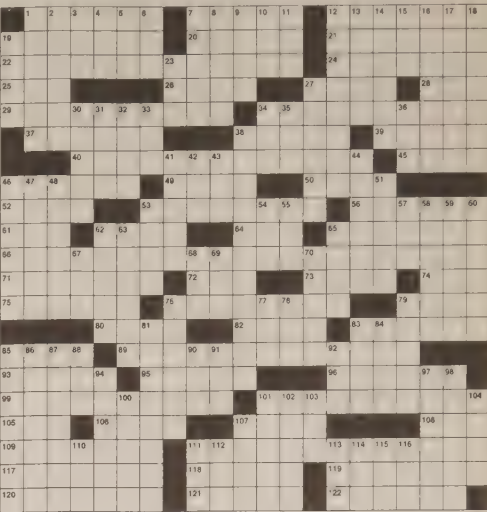
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and agreeing to do three interviews, individuals chosen for the study receive free treatment at existing treatment programs.

The Edible Schoolyard, an organic gardening and cooking program at Berkeley's King Middle School, seeks volunteers to work with students, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 558-1335 for information.

English-in-Action lets you make friends from around the world. Volunteer as a conversation partner with a foreign UC scholar/student for one hour a week. YWCA, at Berkeley. Call 843-9716.

Women's Daytime Drop-In Center in Berkeley: serving women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, needs volunteers. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. For more information, call 466-5663.

Exhibits

"With Earth Wide Shut," photographs by Timothy Andrew Phelan, will be on exhibit through Aug. 31, at Cafe Milano, 2522 Bancroft Ave. Cafe hours are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Aug. 15 and from Aug. 16 through 31, until midnight. Call 644-3100 for directions and details.

Photographs by Charles Klein will be on exhibit through September 4, at the Photolab Gallery, 2235 Fifth Street. A reception for the artist takes place on Saturday, Aug. 7 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

A New Leaf Gallery, 1286, Gilman St., is sponsoring an exhibit from Aug. 14 through Sept. 12 entitled "Censored"—Sculptors Responding to the Wave of Puntanism in the 90's. The gallery has put out a national call to sculptors. The show will be juried by Philip Linhares, Chief Curator at the Oakland Museum. An associated reception to benefit the ACLU Foundation of Northern California will take place on Aug. 14 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$15. This show addresses the issue of censorship in the arts. For additional information call 525-7621.

The Claremont Gallery, 2907 Claremont Ave., presents "Southwest Passages" opening Aug. 8 and continuing through Oct. 31. Artist reception is Aug. 8 from 3:33 p.m. to 6:06 p.m. Call 848-9300 for additional information.

"Playpen," a group exhibition co-curated by Genart SF and Traywick Gallery, will be open to the public through Aug. 29. The exhibit takes place at Traywick Gallery, 1316 Tenth St., Berkeley. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 6 p.m.

Call 527-1214 or 415-824-6521 for additional information.

Alta Bates Medical Center presents work by members of the California Watercolor Association at its Community Art Gallery, 2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley. The gallery is in the main corridor to the left of the information desk and main entrance. Call 204-4444 for additional information.

The Richmond Art Center, 2540 Barrett Ave., presents a new exhibition that runs through Sept. 4. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday, noon-4:30 p.m. Free admission, wheelchair accessible. Call 620-6772 for additional information.

Roots and Memory: A Portrait of the Last Moroccan Jews of the Atlas and Sahara continues through Oct. 31 at the Judah Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St. For additional information call 549-6950.

"Still Here: The Jews of the Pale of Settlement," a photographic exhibition by Peggy Myers is on view through Oct. 31 at the Judah Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St. For additional information call 620-6772.

The Albany Arts Committee exhibits "Facing Change," continues through Sept. 9 at the Albany Center Gallery, 1249 Marin Ave. The exhibit

represents three eighth grade Albany Art classes led by art teacher Meg Brady.

The Berkeley Art Museum Pacific Film Archive presents "Emergence: New Work by UC-Berkeley Master of Fine Arts Graduates," through Aug. 15. Emergence is an exhibition of works by candidates for the Master of Fine Arts degree at UC-Berkeley. Artists include Nina Lynn Bellisio, Dana Byers, Sook Im Choi, Elizabeth Demaray, Stephanie Anne Johnson, and Katherine Shozawa.

New Pieces Gallery presents a list of artists for the year 1999. Located on Solano Avenue, New Pieces is the only gallery which shows quilts and soft cloth sculptures and dolls exclusively. The gallery is open during store business hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday Noon to 5 p.m. except major holidays. Details: 527-6779.

Literary Events

Storyteller Steven Henegar appears at Berkeley's Central Library, 2121 Allston Way on Saturday, Aug. 7 at 11 a.m. The free family storytime pro-

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Dining & Entertainment

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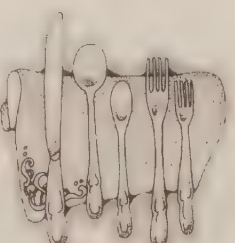
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gram takes place every Saturday morning and offers children 3-8, a celebration of story, song and rhyme. On the first Saturday of each month, except holidays, an outside performer is showcased. For further information, call 649-3943.

"Daily Word" readers: Study Unity principles at Temescal Library, 5205 Telegraph, Wednesdays noon-1 p.m. Contact Anne Allen, 843-5611.

"Strong Women" Writers and Heroes of American Literature: 1:15-3:15 p.m. every Thursday; free course in the Berkeley Adult School Older Adults Program; Helen Ripper Wheeler, instructor; North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst, corner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way; 549-2970 after 9 a.m.

Meetings

The Regular Meeting of the Fair Campaign Practices Commission scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 19 is canceled. The next regular meeting is Sept. 19. Call 644-6380 for additional information.

Joy of Yiddish: Yiddish conversation at 1 p.m. at the North Berkeley Senior

Center, 1901 Hearst. Call 644-6107 for additional information.

The Berkeley Communicators Toastmasters Club meet on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 7:15 to 8:30 a.m. at the Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant. Details: 524-3765.

The Berkeley Arthritis Support and Education Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except December) 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium, Herick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way. Dr. Brian Kaye, a rheumatologist, has treated many patients with various types of arthritis and will be available for questions. For additional information, call 204-4503.

Toastmasters on Campus meet the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:15-7:30 p.m. at the English Language Program Building, 2515 Hillegass. Details: 704-1822.

Public speaking skills and metaphysics come together at Avatar Metaphysical Toastmasters. On-going meetings first and third Thursdays, 6:15-7:30 p.m., 2515 Hillegass Ave., Call 869-2547 for details.

Spirituality and Healing. Voices of Healing Story Circles. Spiritually oriented healing group for people living with life-threatening illness. Meets second Wednesday of each month in North Berkeley. Call 528-1235 for information. **State Health Toastmasters Club**

meet every second, third and fourth Thursday of the month from 12:10-1:10 p.m. at the State Health building, 2151 Berkeley Way. Details: 649-7750.

Higher Alignment: 7:30-9 p.m. Mondays; fun, informative seminars creating spiritual partnerships; Feldenkrais Center, 830 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; 415-461-5337; \$20.

Alta Bates Support Groups - Arthritis Support Group meets the second Tuesday of every month; 1-2:30 p.m.; 204-4503. Call for additional special events.

Overeaters Anonymous, a 12 step program providing free aid for those with eating problems, meets in Berkeley every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. (newcomers at 8 a.m.) at St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave. and in Richmond every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital, 901 Nevin (take Elevator C to the third floor). For further information, call 273-9292.

TOPS: 9:30 a.m., Mondays; Take Pounds Off Sensibly, Albany Chapter meets at 980 Stannage St. at Marin; 233-2948 or Karen, 525-6858.

Avatar Metaphysical Toastmasters: meetings on the first and third Thursdays of the month 6:15-7:30 p.m. Call 643-7645.

Toastmasters: noon-1 p.m., Tuesdays; stand up and say what you mean; practice with the toastmasters; 700 Heinz

Ave., Berkeley; 883-6708.

Alta Bates Rehabilitation Center and East Bay Neurology sponsors a free monthly stroke support group. No advance reservations are required, drop-in anytime. The group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Maffly Auditorium on Herick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way, Berkeley. Details: 204-4503.

Strong Women-Writers and Heroes of American Literature meet on Thursdays from 1:15-3:15 p.m. at the North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst. This is a free course in the Berkeley Adult School Older Adults Program. For additional information, call 549-2970.

Music

La Pena Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave. presents an evening of Zimbabwean traditional music with father and daughter master musicians Irene and Turle Chigamba on Sunday, Aug. 8 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. For more information, including dance, drumming and mbira workshops on Aug. 2-8, call 261-8255.

The West Coast Jazz Guitar Society presents a clinic by Philadelphia Jazz Guitar Virtuoso Jimmy Bruno on Sunday Aug. 8. The seminar and concert

takes place at Blue Note Music, 2556 Telegraph Ave., in Berkeley 2-4 p.m. Bruno will be accompanied by noted upright bass player John Laitham. Space is limited. For more information or tickets, call 644-2583.

Piano student Dominic McCarty presents Debussy's Children's Corner; Beethoven's Sonata in A, Op. 9 No. 1; and Mozart's Variations on Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, together with piano duets. The free concert take place at St. David of Wales Church, 5641 Esmond Ave. Richmond on Friday, Aug. 6 at 11:45 a.m. Call 237-1531 for directions.

"Friday Night Folk Dancing: 8 p.m.-11 p.m.; no partners necessary for line dances taught from Rumania, Bulgaria, Israel, Turkey, Near East and other lands each Friday from 8-9 p.m., followed by request dances from 9-11 p.m. No experience necessary. All ages welcome. Albany YMCA, 901 Kains Ave.; \$4; call 525-1542.

Outdoors

East Bay Regional Parks Botanical Garden Tilden Park, presents regular tours, seven days a week. Weekdays 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays, and Sundays 2 p.m. Special tours by appointment. Call 841-8732. For a schedule of upcoming classes call 925-820-1021.

Support

The East Bay Repetitive Injury Support Group meets every Tuesday, Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Berkeley Senior Center. Guest speaker is Mary Ann, director of Myofascial Pain Center in San Francisco. The group meets the second Tuesday of each month. Call 653-1832 for information.

Berkeley Arthritis Support Group meets every Tuesday of each month (except December) from 1:20-2:30 p.m. at the Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst. For more information, call 204-4503.

American Schizophrenia Association (ASA-AM) monthly support group meets on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. at the Mont Branch Branch, 2500 University Ave. Reservations required, drop-in welcome. Friends and family are welcome. For more information, call 204-4503.

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Health & Fitness

Advertising Feature

Gymnema Sylvestre and Sugar Cravings

By Dale Bhar



Ayurveda, the Vedic system of medicine from India, has contributed to Western medicine numerous times in the past. One of the most recent additions to the list is Gymnema Sylvestre, a woody, vine-like plant that grows in the wild on bushes and small trees.

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Do You Get The Message

By Dr. Laura VanHarn

Hi! It is me again, Laura VanHarn Ph.D. You know from my past articles that I am an Exercise Physiologist and that I specialize in improving your health and well-being through strength training. Many of my clients will tell you, without exception, that the scientific and time-tested methods that we use at the Phytess Connection really work. WHAT WORRIES ME, and thus, my subject today, is the self-inflicted wear and tear that people impose on themselves in the name of EXERCISE before they get to me. Before you reach age 40 abusing your body with too much and the wrong kind of exercise does not take the toll that it does in the later years. After age 40 and beyond, the muscles, tendons, ligaments, and bones are rapidly losing their ability to be conditioned at the same time that they are deteriorating at the rate of 1% per year. Unless you add a sound strength training program to your life the result is arthritis, osteoporosis and broken bones. In addition, your program should also include cardiovascular exercise and a balanced diet. There are only a very small number of people who can either purchase home equipment or join a health club and be successful with a fitness program. The other 99% go blindly ahead with self directed attempts which cause or aggravate serious problems. Most people know that they need professional help when learning to do strength training with resistance equipment. However, it is difficult to determine who is qualified to design and modify your program. The state legislature is presently reviewing proposals to license fitness trainers. This would help consumers to choose a

fitness professional who is subject to rigorous standards. This process will take a long time. So until then, here are some guidelines.

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As I See It

Many people in the world today have limited their view of health care to what is seen and heard on ER, Chicago Hope and General Hospital. We have become enamored at the technical wizardry, miraculous chemistry and impressive vocabulary of Hollywood's finest actors. We are proud to be members of the managed care organizations that proudly sponsors our favorite

entertainment or to take the popular remedies that doctors recommend most.

We live in a culture that believes that feeling healthy is the same as being healthy. We have become convinced that if and when symptoms do effect us, we should look to our doctors for answers. Often we search, not for what we can do to help us improve our health, but for what we can take to just feel better.

As our understanding of health care evolves, I believe that we will soon look back and wonder what we were thinking by putting dangerous pills and potions inside of sick people and expecting them to become

healthy. We will wonder how we ever thought that we could be healthy with a lifestyle of chronic stress. We will question what kind of science ever believed that people were made of body parts that when injured or in pain, should be properly medicated, cut out or replaced, like auto parts.

What is inspiring to see is that even more people in the world today have expanded their view of health care. They have entered a new understanding in the biological sciences that restores a profound respect for mother nature and seeks to access personal power not to control or suppress it. The Eisenberg Study from Harvard University

reported that in recent years, more people have been seeking help from nontraditional medical providers than from traditional medical providers. Those people most inclined to use non-traditional medical care are educated and live in the Western U.S. These services are usually paid for out of pocket. But did you know that the most popular category of nontraditional medical care is Chiropractic? In fact, Chiropractic is the largest drugless healing profession in the entire world. Chiropractic care has reportedly been shown to be of benefit to all age groups from newborns through seniors. People who have received Chiropractic care, commonly

report that they feel better, heal quicker, for less money and without the need for unnecessary medications.

Are you ready to take a good look into the future of health care? A future based on utilizing the power of life to heal. A future that empowers us and our families to realize that health resides within and it is our choice to access it.

My upcoming fall/winter lecture series is designed to provide our community with the latest in science, philosophy and politics of natural health and healing. It is time that we get together to ask and answer those thought provoking, controversial questions that are not headlined in

prescription drug ads or glamorized by ER. I am here to tell you that we have incredible potential to improve our health by maximizing the power of life and that we are

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Parents get to watch as teens explore the Masada

Kids visit home via satellite transmission

By Kristin Bender

Perched on the edges of folding chairs at a stark Oakland conference center, anxious parents, grandparents and siblings watched via satellite as Bay Area teens — 15,000 miles away — explored Masada, one of the most powerful places for Jews in Israel.

The room buzzed like a beehive as parents snapped photos of their teens on the movie screen, people in hushed tones and laughed at the impromptu antics of the teeny youngsters.

"We were all crying, and I was trying to wipe the tears out of my eyes so I could see him," said Sabina Stark, an Oakland resident who saw her son Shaya, 15. "There was just this sense that you wanted to see your kid and see if they were happy."

On Thursday night (Friday at sunrise in Israel), Shaya and 212 other teens, most from Oakland and Berkeley, climbed to the 1,000-foot peak of Masada while 525 parents and relatives watched.

Thanks to fiber optic cable spread across the desert floor, parents gathered at Samuel Merritt College in Oakland and watched



DRS. SUSAN ADLER BRESSLER, M.D., and Dr. David Bressler along with their daughter, Julie, spot their son Seth among scores of teen-agers who were being recorded while climbing Masada, an ancient fortress in Israel.

their youngsters ascend the top of the ancient mountaintop fortress just as the sun rose over the famous site.

"He looked good and he seemed calm," said Stark of her son Shaya, who held a "Happy Birthday Mom"

sign and kissed the camera lens when it panned over him.

"It was so moving to hear what the kids had to say and how much it has changed them," Stark said.

Ten teens, including Jerry Derblisch's daughter, Zephira

Derblisch-Milea, 15, were interviewed after the climb.

"She said she felt she has confronted fears on the trip that she had never felt before and got through them," he said.

"I am very curious to find out

what she meant."

Parents said many teens connect with Judaism during the trip away from home.

"It's a good time to make connections and get a sense of themselves as Jews and find out how they fit in with the rest of the Jewish world," Derblisch said.

In addition to visiting places of significance in Jewish history, teens take part in trust-building and leadership activities on the trip, including river rafting, rappelling, and several weeks of simulated military training.

Thursday was the third time the Jewish Federation of the Greater East Bay, an Oakland-based non-profit group, organized a one-hour satellite transmission of a Masada climb. This time teens crossed Masada, a rocky plateau along the western shore of the Dead Sea, where 20 centuries ago 960 devout Jews took their own lives instead of forfeiting their freedom to the Roman Tenth Legion.

Though the logistics were staggering and at times the sound quality poor, federation officials said they felt it was important for parents to take part in the experience.

"This is a highly emotional event for parents," said federation spokeswoman Valerie Jonas. "Many of these kids have been away for weeks and parents know their kids are going through a life-changing experience and getting in touch with their roots."

Lois Blumsack of Oakland

agreed.

"The trip seems to really impact their lives and bind their commitment to their faith," she said. "And (the Masada climb) was definitely one of the highlights of the trip."

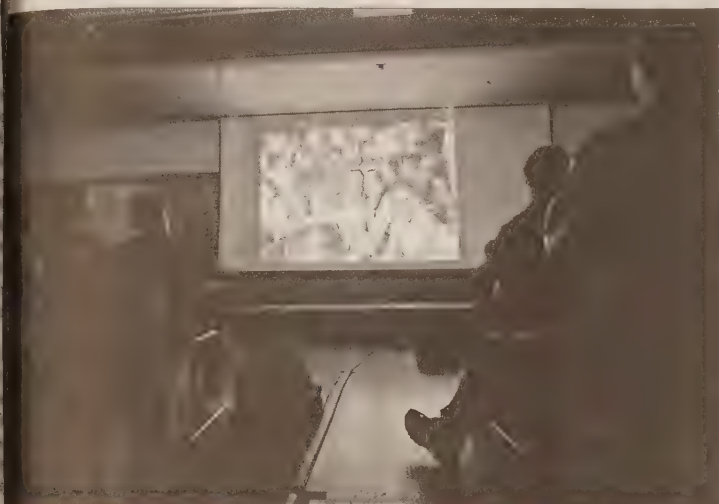
Blumsack said she didn't instantly recognize her 18-year-old son, Nate, because he was wearing a cloth headress.

"He looked so different that I had to do a double-take," she said. "We told him, 'Make sure we see you,' and when they panned over him a couple of times he mugged for the camera."

Many teens held humorous signs—"Mom, I've joined the Israeli Army" and "Please send food"—while others blew kisses, waved and grinned as the camera moved over their sleepy-looking faces. The teens rose at 2 a.m. to organize and coordinate the sunrise trip with Pacific Standard Time.

The East Bay Federation of the Greater East Bay is the only organization in the county to provide live satellite transmission of a Masada climb. Trips cost \$2,950; more than one-third of teens receive financial help through the federation and its partners. Family members also share in their teen's experience by viewing photos and a daily trip journal on the federation's Web site.

For information on the federation's summer trips for teens, call 510-839-2900 or visit the Web site at <http://www.jfed.org>.



FAMILIES gathered at Samuel Merritt College to watch their sons, daughters, brothers and sisters on a live broadcast of their trip to Masada, Israel.

Calendar

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Hibromyalgia Support Group meets on Tuesday, Aug. 17 from noon to 2 p.m., at Alta Bates Medical Center, Maffey Auditorium, 2001 Dwight Way, Call D.L. Malinovsky 601-0550 for additional information.

Stroke Support Group for Stroke survivors, their families and friends. No advance reservations required. Meets the first Tuesday of each month, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Maffey Auditorium, Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way.

Lecture/Workshop

The YWCA offers free orientations of its Turning Point Career Center. The orientations outline the resources available to the public as well as the different programs the center offers, including the great variety of workshops. The orientations are held every Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. The center is located at 2600 Bancroft Way,

Berkeley. For more information, call 848-6370.

"What is Meditation," is a peaceful and practical introduction to the basics of meditation. The free seminar takes place at Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 2352 Shattuck Ave. Pragito Dove is the facilitator.

Emotions Anonymous: Twelve-Step meetings every Sunday at 8 p.m. Call 236-8226 for Berkeley location.

Religion

Nyingma Institute, 1815 Highland Place, sponsors an open house, on Aug. 8, free introduction to Tibetan Buddhist culture. The Open House is followed by Tibetan chanting at 5 p.m. and a lecture, "Mind in Buddhist Psychology," by Sylvia Gretchen, dean of Nyingma Studies, 6-7 p.m. All events are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served during the Open House. Call 843-6812 for additional information.

Ahavat Yisrael hosts Kabbalat Shabbat services Aug. 6, 7 p.m., in its new home at the Berkeley-Richmond Jewish

Community Center, 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley. Call 273-9003 for additional information.

Paul A.M.E. Church, 2024 Ashby Ave., celebrates "Homecoming 99" on Sunday, Aug. 8. Unity service is at 9:30 a.m. The message will be delivered by The Rev. C. Dennis Williams of Bethel A.M.E., San Diego. An old-fashioned "Sunday Lunch and fellowship" will follow the worship service. Former members, friends and the community are invited. For information, contact the church at 848-2050.

Theater, Dance and Film

UC-Berkeley Center for Theater Arts presents Durham Studio Theatre Summer Productions "Pterodactyls" by Nicky Silver, and directed by Christopher Herold. The production takes place Aug. 6-7, 13-14, 27-28 at 8 p.m. and Aug. 29 at 2 p.m. Durham Studio Theatre is located behind Dwinelle Hall on the UC-Berkeley Campus. Tickets are \$10 general, \$7 faculty/staff and \$5 students. For tickets, call 642-9988.



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Upcoming class offerings at EC Community Center

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This class is for dogs four months or older and may be used as a first-time formal dog training course or a refresher course.

Learn to cut out the frustrations and much of the physical work in training your dog. Learn problem prevention and problem-solving, as well as command work (heel, sit/stay, come, down/stay).

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Sessions of classes include:
Tuesdays, Aug. 10-31, 6:30-8 p.m., \$55 residents, \$68.75 for non residents. Location, Harding Clubhouse Yard, 7115 C Street. Instructor is Pearl Quan.

Thursdays, Sept. 2-23, 6-7:30 p.m., \$55 residents, \$68.75 non-residents. Location, Harding Clubhouse Yard, 7115 C Street. Instructor, Pearl Quan.

Jazz tap dance

This class is for beginning and intermediate students ages 10 and older. Have fun while keeping fit. This is a safe, low-impact cardiovascular activity that promotes physical fitness, coordination, strength and endurance. Move your body, move your feet and get that beat. Tap shoes or hard-sole shoes required.

Classes are Thursdays, Aug. 5-26, 7-8 p.m., \$28 residents, \$35 for non-residents. Location, El Cerrito Com-

munity Center. Instructor is Dolores Homan.

Polynesian dance

Learn the ancient and modern ethnic dances of Hawaii, French Polynesia, Samoa and Aotearoa.

Classes are Thursdays, Aug. 5-26, \$24 for residents, \$30.50 for non-residents. Location, El Cerrito Community Center. Instructor is Charlene Gregory.

Feldenkrais awareness through movement

Using the Feldenkrais method of somatic education, learn how to find relief from pain caused by tension and neuromuscular habits. We will focus on movements which improve comfort and function in the jaw, neck and shoulders, as well as other areas of the body which support these new patterns, such as the ribs, back and pelvis.

Classes are Mondays, Aug. 9-30, 6-7 p.m., \$20 for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Location, Casa Cerrito Clubhouse, 6927 Portola. Instructor Jean Elvin. For more information, call Judie Bellotti at 215-4371.

Further awareness through movement

This class consists of a series of gentle and ingenious movements which bring a fresh awareness of the entire body.

This awareness, in itself, serves to reprogram the body and mind circuitry leading to relaxation, fuller range of movement and an improved self-image. This class is based on the

Feldenkrais method of awareness through movement.

Classes are Wednesdays, Aug. 4-25, 7-8 p.m., \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. Location Community Center. Instructors are Vena Flint and Margie Moore.

Tea it up— new golfer

This program has been specifically designed to meet the needs of the new golfer. It is absolutely the best way to get started in golf. We guarantee you will be ready to play on the course after this class. Class includes six hours of instruction, golf how-to's and basic etiquette, pre-foot fundamentals, chipping, putting, and full-swing fundamentals. This is an on course class with an instructor and the minimum age requirement is 12 years old. No equipment is required.

Classes are Tuesdays, Aug. 3-24, 9-10:30 a.m., \$135 for residents and \$168.75 for non-residents.

Location is at Tilden Park Golf Course, Grizzly Peak and Shasta Road, Berkeley. Instructors provided by Tilden Park Golf Course professionals.

Musical made fun for kids

(... and Parents too!) This popular sing-along group with musical accompaniment continues for babies and toddlers (up to age 4) and their parents or care givers.

Group incorporate kid's music, finger plays, dance/movement and instruments as well as popular adult songs in a way that is stimulating and fun for both parent and child.

Classes are Fridays, September 10-October 15, 10-11 a.m., residents \$42 and \$52.50 for non-residents. There is an \$8 drop-in fee.

Location is El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito. For more information, call Judie Bellotti at 215-4371.

Beginning guitar

Methods of tuning, reading music, and playing notes, chords and songs will be covered. A nylon/steel string acoustic or electric guitar is required. This class is open to students 12 and older.

Classes are Tuesdays, Aug. 3-24, 7-8 p.m. Fee \$50 for residents and \$62.50 for non-residents.

Location is at Community Center. Instructor is Peter Morley.

Intermediate guitar

This class continues one's relationship with the guitar as a musical instrument.

Topics include style of music, rhythm techniques, sources of music and music theory. Familiarity and ability of guitar is necessary.

Tuesday, Aug. 31-Sept. 21, 7-8 p.m. Fee is \$40 for residents and \$50 for non-residents.

Instructor is Peter Morley.

Beginning West Coast swing

Rhythmic dance is usually danced to blues, rhythm and blues, and soul music. Precision footwork, attitude and partner interaction give this dance widespread appeal. It is a California original that is taking the world by storm.

Thursday, Aug. 5-26, 5:45-7 p.m. Fee \$28 for residents and \$35 for non-residents.

Location at El Cerrito Community Center. Instructor is Kathleen Schom-meyer.

READER POLL



A SECTION OF THE Bay Bridge roadway collapsed in the Loma Prieta earthquake.

Bay Area's century of dramatic events

Millennium stories and big, slick books about the 20th century haven't covered many of the events affecting the lives of Bay Area residents.

What major changes—for better or for worse—have occurred in the Bay Area during this century? What individual events were most newsworthy? Bay Area history and everyday life have been shaped by such events as major earthquakes in 1906 and 1989, the building of bridges, freeways and transit systems, industrial development during World War II and suburban growth from the 1960s onward.

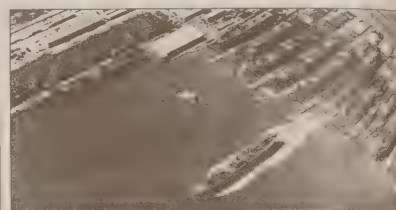
We would like readers to help choose the most significant events in the Bay Area in the 20th century. The results will appear in a special section, The Century, Oct. 7 and 8.

Vote for up to 10 events, includ-



PATTY HEARST during her time with the Sybilianse Liberation Army.

ing as many as three write-ins that may not be on our list. Line is Aug. 20.



RICHMOND became a shipbuilding center for the military during World War II.

- ☐ Earthquake and fire destroy much of San Francisco in 1906.
- ☐ Panama-Pacific International Exposition in 1915 celebrates the opening of the Panama Canal and San Francisco's reconstruction.
- ☐ Standard Oil opens oil refinery in Richmond, Shell in Martinez.
- ☐ Bridges speed traffic to Solano county: Carquinez Bridge in 1927, Benicia-Martinez Bridge in 1962
- ☐ The Bay Bridge links the East Bay with San Francisco in 1936, curtailing the Bay's network of ferries.
- ☐ Caldecott Tunnel opens in 1937, encouraging residential construction in Contra Costa County.
- ☐ Golden Gate Bridge opens Marin County to development, 1937.
- ☐ Richmond becomes a major shipbuilding center during World War II, and wartime industries boom throughout the East Bay.
- ☐ Japanese-Americans ordered out of Bay Area to internment camps during World War II.
- ☐ Explosion at naval ammunition base at Port Chicago kills 320 men, 1944.
- ☐ United Nations formed in San Francisco, 1945.
- ☐ Professional sports comes to the West Coast as the San Francisco 49ers begin play in the All-America Football Conference in 1946. The 49ers join the National Football League in 1950, winning five Super Bowls in the 1980s and '90s.
- ☐ Giants, A's bring major league baseball to the Bay Area.
- ☐ Berkeley, Livermore labs become centers of nuclear/defense development.
- ☐ Freeway system connects Contra Costa and Alameda counties to the wider Bay Area, 1950s and 1960s.
- ☐ Bay Area gets another professional football team in 1960 as the Oakland Raiders begin play in the American Football League.
- ☐ The NBA comes to the Bay Area in 1962 as the Warriors, with Walt Chamberlain, move to San Francisco from Philadelphia.
- ☐ Hippies make San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury and Berkeley centers of the counterculture movement in the 1960s and 70s.
- ☐ "The Summer of Love" 1967.
- ☐ Free Speech Movement at Berkeley leads to student actions, 1960s.
- ☐ Vietnam War protests in Bay Area a center of the anti-war movement.
- ☐ American Indians occupy Alcatraz, 1969.
- ☐ Rolling Stones concert at Mont Speedway near Livermore, 1969 ends with the death of a fan.
- ☐ Black Panthers organize for attention on the black empowerment movement in the East Bay, 1970s.
- ☐ Latin and Asian immigration increases the influx of new residents during the Depression and World War forms much of the Bay Area.
- ☐ Francis Ford Coppola, George Lucas and other directors make the Bay Area a center of the New Hollywood movement in the 1970s.
- ☐ Oakland School Superintendent Marcus Foster shot to death by a sniper, 1977.
- ☐ Patty Hearst kidnaps a man, joins the Black Liberation Army, 1974.
- ☐ San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk are shot to death at City Hall by supervisor Dan White, 1978.
- ☐ AIDS takes a heavy toll in the 1970s and 1980s as workers and volunteers seek prevention and treatment strategies.
- ☐ The Rev. Jim Jones and his followers die in Jonestown, Guyana, 1978.
- ☐ Silicon Valley leads the nation in high-tech development.
- ☐ BART trains cross the San Francisco Peninsula.
- ☐ Loma Prieta earthquake collapses Cypress Avenue, shuts Bay Bridge, causes widespread damage.
- ☐ Oakland hills fire destroys more than 3,000 homes and kills 25 people in 1991.

Write-in votes:

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Summerfest: nourish your mind about 'Eating for Health'

By Danielle Samaniego

Take the time to learn more about the healthier side of life Aug. 22 at the Eating for Health Summerfest '99.

The event, at Live Oak Park in North Berkeley, noon-6 p.m., promises to be a day filled with "education." The Summerfest will integrate educational seminars and tips with nutritional food and musical entertainment.

The IET Nutrition Consultant Training Program is coordinating the event, along with the Association of California Nutrition Consultants and

the Health and Healing Card Provider Network. In years past, IET has conducted a symposium offering the same sort of format as Summerfest; however this year's event is geared more toward an outdoor fair.

Fine cuisine from all across the globe will be part of the event, including dishes from the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, California and the Southwest.

Carolyn Hernandez, an administrative assistant for IET, says the institution is providing a diverse menu in order to properly represent the diversity of the school itself.

"We teach that nutrition has a lot

to do with genetics," she said.

Dr. Edward Bauman will speak on "Eating for Health and Vitality." Bauman is the director of the IET Institute. Also speaking will be Britt Bailey regarding the effects of bioengineered foods.

A grand mix of musical talent will be provided for the festival.

Glenda Benevides will provide sweet vocals for the afternoon, while saxophonist Michael Bolivar and percussionist Carter Collins provide backup. Solo guitarists Jessica Star and Tom Patrick will also join the band. Bolivar has performed with the likes of Aretha Franklin and

Duke Ellington among others, and Collins was a percussionist for Stevie Wonder.

According to information provided by the IET Institute, substance abuse, eating disorders, depression and cancer is on the rise in the Bay Area.

Hernandez says there is a need for fairs like this for the public to become informed about nutrition through professionals.

"There's a lot of conflicting information going on in nutrition," she said.

For more information regarding the Summerfest or the IET institute call 1-800-987-7530.

After-school Spanish offered at Harding Elementary

EL CERRITO — A program of after-school Spanish classes has been in progress at Harding Elementary School in El Cerrito since the beginning of the school year last September.

Two groups of students are taking classes. One group includes "mono-lingual" students who have had no previous experience with Spanish.

The second group consists of bilingual students, who already speak Spanish but have had no instruction in Spanish grammar or literature.

Most of the bilingual students learned Spanish from their families in the home, and do not want to have to wait until high school to learn how to read and write in the language.

Rachel Salzmann, an experienced full-time language teacher at El Cerrito High School, is teaching the classes.

She is assisted in the classes by several of her students from El Cerrito High School.

Class size is limited to 20 in the monolingual class and 10 in the bilingual class to improve interaction between the students and instructors.

Salzmann's approach is to teach Spanish through games, dialogues, songs and activities, and to strictly

limit rote drilling and memorization.

Materials used in the class include tapes of familiar folklore stories read in Spanish, with accompanying readers, and familiar and not so familiar songs that the children learn to sing and read.

A special class activity is to read poetry and stories in Spanish from a number of Spanish speaking cultures in the Americas and Europe. The children also write their own original poems in Spanish.

Drawing and coloring activities are used in the class as a means of learning vocabulary, including colors, shapes, names of objects and counting.

The classes are part of a larger program of after-school classes being offered to all West County Unified School District students through the Harding Education Project (HEP), whose coordinator is Andrew Austin, a parent of two Harding students.

The beginning Spanish classes are offered on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m., and the bilingual classes on Mondays at the same time.

In the fall, the beginning class will be offered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Bilingual classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday.

Andrew Austin should be contacted for further information at 528-5025.

Students from other schools are welcome to join. For fall placement,

please call soon. A fee is charged to cover the cost of the instructor and classroom materials, since the class is self-supporting except for the classroom provided by the district.

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A talk with Horacio Duran

Horacio Duran is one of the founders of the internationally-acclaimed musical group Inti-Illimani. Here is a brief interview with the Chilean musician, who will play the charango in concert at La Peña Cultural Center Aug. 10.

The original members of Inti-Illimani were studying engineering when the group was formed, right? Yes, I studied chemical engineering from 1966 to 1971 at the Santiago University of Technology. Actually, the original members of the group, we met while we were students. We formed a group and our music acquired great importance in our lives so we left our studies in 1971 to play music.

While we were students, we recorded four or five records. Eventually, a couple of the original members received degrees in their fields. I obtained a degree in music. You can imagine what that was like since I was actually—how do you call it? Self-taught.

What attracted you to music and especially to the charango? Actually, it is very difficult to explain. I just fell in love with the charango when I saw it played for the first time. It is a little string instrument with

a nice, sweet, high sound. I learned to play it without a teacher because almost no one played it 35 years ago.

Anyway, when I first heard the charango played by someone who played it very simply, I thought 'I have to learn to play this instrument.' Months later, an aunt of mine who had been in Bolivia bought one and was going to hang it on a wall. I told her, 'You have to give me that instrument because I must play it.'

At that time, that kind of music was not well-known. Someone taught me three or four chords, and I began listening to records and seeking Bolivian and Argentine charango players. That was my beginning. It became my love for my entire life.

Can you tell us about nueva canción?

Well, what happened in Chile 30 years ago we called nueva canción. We took music from other regions—Bolivia, Peru and Argentina—and, well, we put together pieces from other countries.

Our music is not Chilean music, really. Only in the sense that most of our songs are by Chilean composers, though some are by Colombians.

Nueva canción is more than just protest music. It is more than that. It is about people and their lives, their loves and experiences, though

it is true, it also dealt with political and social movements.

Did you know Victor Jara? (Victor Jara was a famous Chilean folk singer executed by the Pinochet regime shortly after the military coup in 1973.)

Yes, we were close friends with Victor. We worked with Victor on two or three of his records. A lot of his tunes were arranged by the group, and we accompanied him on his record "Canto Libre."

At the same time, we were very, very close friends during the political period during the Allende government. We sang together all around Chile.

Aren't you the president of the Victor Jara Foundation?

Yes I am.

Tell us what you will be performing next Tuesday night at La Peña?

I will mostly play my compositions for the charango. This is what I will do. I will mainly play my tunes, including a couple of compositions that have been included on our last two albums.

There will be two very talented musicians that will accompany me. Also, on Wednesday, Aug. 11, I'll be cooking with my friend Hugo Brenni in Café de la Peña (located at the same site).



INTI-ILLIMANI members Marcelo Coulon, Jorge Coulon, Jose Seves, Max Berru, Horacio Duran, Horacio Salinas and Renato Freygang.

Horacio Duran brings 'la nueva canción' to La Peña

By James Carter

Is not the lute that soothes your spirit the very wood that was hallowed out with knives?

—Kahlil Gibran

Horacio Duran knows something about the power of music and the dialectic of pleasure and pain.

Duran is one of the founding members of Inti-Illimani, the famed Chilean musical group set adrift when their nation's democracy was smashed by 1973 CIA-backed coup.

Inti-Illimani had embarked on a world tour to share the passionate optimism of the Chilean people, their president Salvador Allende, and a musical and social movement called la nueva canción—the new song.

Then Augusto Pinochet and a huge cadre of armed men changed Chile forever.

It is not known if Horacio Duran and the other members of Inti-Illimani learned the dreadful news during a performance.

It is not known if an announcement was made shortly after Duran performed on the charango, a lute-shaped string instrument originally fashioned from an armadillo shell by the peoples of the Andes.

But they heard the news, as did the rest of the world, shocked by the turn of events that changed the cultural and political situation in the Americas for decades.

Yet as Chilean dictator Gen. Pinochet ordered the arrests, torture and murder of thousands of people, it is likely Inti-Illimani raised their voices in song accompanied by the charango and the tiple, the quena, zampoña and Spanish guitars.

Though they do not consider themselves protest musicians, Inti-Illimani continued to declare a better tomorrow would arrive one day—a vision they still share.

Regardless of how or when they heard the news, Inti-Illimani continued to play music—songs about everyday people, love and sorrow, joy and suffering, work, and celebration, all connected by the musical staff of social justice.

After the coup in Chile, Inti-Illimani called Italy home until 1988 when Pinochet stepped down and members of the group went home.

With Pinochet in England facing extradition to Chile for crimes against humanity, Inti-Illimani is still traveling the world, flying from Seattle to New York, Europe to Latin America.

In October, they will perform at Zellerbach Hall. But thanks to La Peña Cultural Center in Berkeley, people will not have to wait to hear what may perhaps be the soul of Inti-Illimani—they will have the unique opportunity to hear Horacio Duran play the charango Aug. 10.

Accompanied by guitarist Rafael Manriquez and Eddie Navia, considered one of the best charango players in the Bay Area, Duran will perform for those fortunate enough to acquire a ticket for the La Peña

DURAN

Horacio Duran, one of the founders of the international acclaimed music ensemble, "Inti-Illimani" and charango player extraordinaire performs an evening of charango music at La Peña Cultural Center Tuesday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m. Call: 849-2568 for details.

concert, at 8 p.m. Aug. 10.

There young and old will be transformed to the heights of the Andes and the streets of Chile as Duran plays the sweet sounds of the charango, an almost mystical instrument.

PEOPLE

Shen Si-Teh Chang

Shen Si-Teh Chang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ming Che Chang of Berkeley, received a bachelor of science degree magna cum laude from Brown University in Providence, R.I. Brown, the nation's seventh-oldest college, awarded 1,481 bachelor's degrees, 285 master's degrees, 85 doctor of medicine degrees and 153 doctor of philosophy degrees in its 151st Commencement May 31.

Architectural achievement

Richard Caldwell of Albany and Vera Youngdale of Oakland have been named Principals at Hardison Matsui Ivelich & Tucker Architects in San Francisco.

Youngdale is currently managing the firm's ongoing work with the Livermore Valley, Fremont, San Leandro and Walnut Creek School Districts and completing the design development of an 80-unit senior housing project for the Salvation Army in Turlock.

She received her bachelor of architecture degree from UC Berkeley, her master of architecture from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and joined the firm in 1986. Caldwell has been with HKIT since 1985 and specializes in the design of multi-family apartment buildings and residential complexes for seniors.

He is managing the design of new senior communities in the Sunset District of San Francisco and in California.

He received his bachelor of architecture from North Carolina State University and his master of architecture from UC-Berkeley.

Luther J. Fleming

Air Force Airman 1st Class Luther Fleming has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, he studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete the training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Fleming is the son of Luther J. Fleming Sr. of Oakland, and Dolores

L. Fleming of El Cerrito.

He is a 1989 graduate of Albany High School.

Edan L. Olson

Edan L. Olson has graduated from the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Camp Challenge at Fort Knox, Ky.

Camp Challenge is designed to give college juniors and sophomores who have not taken ROTC courses the chance to enter the program.

Cadets received training in fundamental military skills, basic rifle marksmanship, drill and ceremonies, small arms tactics, and communications.

The cadet is a student at UC-Berkeley.

Olson is the daughter of Joseph C. and Brooke B. Olson of El Cerrito and a 1997 graduate of El Cerrito High School.

Cassandra Cochran

Cassandra Cochran of El Cerrito is a recipient of the 1999 Dr. Togasaki Special Award for \$500.

She obtained her Associate of Science degree in Biological Science and an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Studies from Contra Costa College this May.

As an honors at entrance student at St. Mary's College in Moraga, she plans to obtain her Bachelor of Science degree.

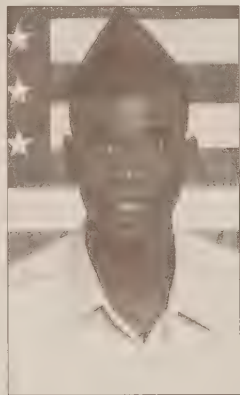
Her goal is to get either a doctorate or medical degree in the field of medical and forensic Science.

Or she may become a doctor specializing in the care and treatment of patients with cystic fibrosis, from which she suffers.

Cassandra will be the first in her family to graduate from college. She has been active raising funds to battle cystic fibrosis and has been involved in donation programs for the needy.

The Diablo Valley Chapter of JACL established the Dr. Togasaki Scholarship Endowment Fund in 1993 to honor her life and accomplishments as an advocate for civil rights and for improving the public health and welfare of all people.

The scholarship provides financial support for a student planning a career in health services and who has demonstrated activity in community services. The student must be a resident of Alameda or Contra



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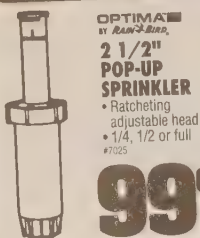
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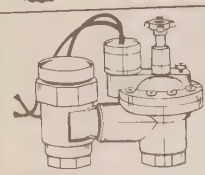
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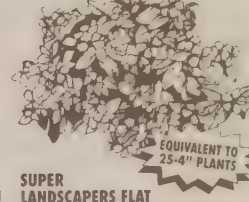
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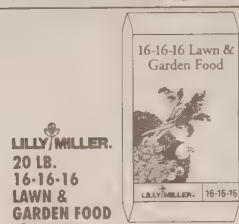
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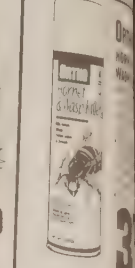
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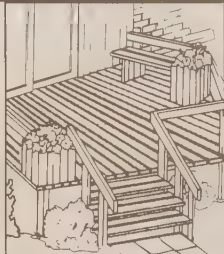
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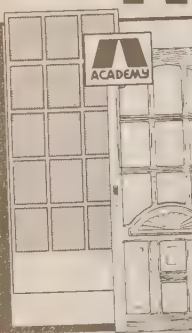
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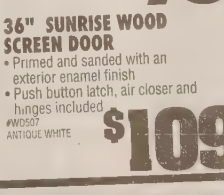
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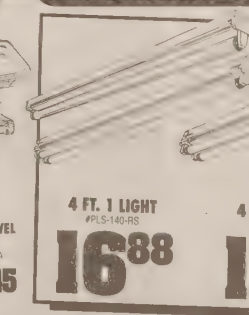
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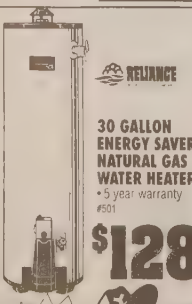


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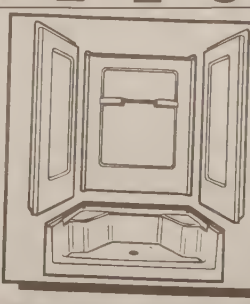


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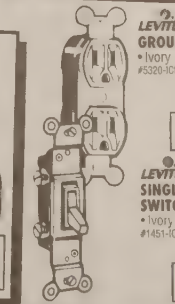
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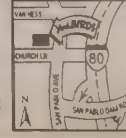
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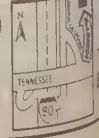
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Open Homes Get a jump on the competition with our handy list [C10]

Experts say planning eases home-buy blues

Find a compatible agent and share information early for best results

By Diane Benson Harrington
LOS ANGELES TIMES SYNDICATE

While most real estate brokers will bend over backward to guide you through the house-hunting process, you can do a few things before contacting an agent to help speed your home search along.

How much house can you afford?

You should probably get pre-qualified from a lender to find out what you can afford to spend, says one expert broker. At the same time, ask that lender what your closing costs are going to be so you'll know how much money to come up with.

If you're in a lease, you need to figure out when it's going to expire and allow yourself 60 days from contract to closing.

Next, write down all your debts, monthly payments and income to see what's left over for a mortgage payment.

In order to qualify for a loan, your mortgage payment shouldn't equal more than 33 percent of your gross income, the experts recommend.

Also, let the broker know how much you want to spend. Just because you can afford a \$400,000 house doesn't mean you want to spend that much on one.

How much work are you willing to do on the house?

Whether you're looking at simple basic homes or mansions, you may need to consider some renovations. Brokers advise buyers to decide ahead of time how much work they're willing to put into a house.

Can you tolerate renovation? A partial renovation? Redecorating? Or do you want to move in without making any changes or fixes?

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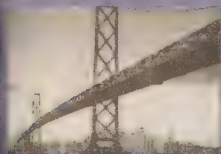


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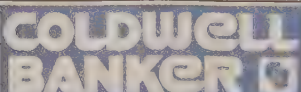
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Friends, partners find communication saves the day

Tarpoft and Talbert are on vacation. This column, published in April, 1994, is No. 49 in a series of true experiences in real estate.

Several years ago, we got a call from Rick, who said that he owned a portion of a Berkeley building which he would like to sell. He wanted us to tell him how much he could get for it. We said that we were sorry, but we don't do tenants-in-common sales because we don't know enough about them. They are difficult to sell, and it is almost impossible to figure what they are worth.

But our conversation with Rick had been so delightful, we agreed to go by and look at his place. Before going, we looked at the assessor's records and found out that the building contained four units altogether. We also checked for recent tenants-in-common sales in Rick's neighborhood, but didn't find any.

Rick showed us the parts of the building he owned, an unusual division of space. There was the small, beautifully detailed apartment where Rick and his wife were living, plus an additional room and bath on another floor they used as an office.

"How much do you think it will sell for?" Rick asked. "Give me a guess." We said we hadn't been able to find any comparable sales. We had no clue.

"But what would you guess?" he

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By Tarpoft and Talbert

insisted.

It was getting kind of silly, but we said that if we had to make a blind, wild guess, one that could only be proven by putting it on the market and waiting for a buyer, we'd guess around \$100,000.

Rick admitted then that he had asked several other agents for their prices. The other agents had guessed as low as \$90,000 and as high as \$150,000.

"See," we said, "Everyone's making it up."

By now we were greatly enjoying Rick, and we were sympathetic. It was not going to be easy to price or to sell this unit. We asked about his partners.

The other agents he'd talked with apparently hadn't asked who owned what in the building, but we quickly learned the story. Rick and a friend

had bought the building together many years before. Rick owned a quarter. His partner, who also lived there, owned the rest.

This was a very important piece of information. The four units were not owned by four different people, each of whom would have to participate in a sale and a new loan. There were only two partners — Rick and his friend.

Next logical question: "Would your partner like to buy you out?"

Answer: "Maybe."

During the time they'd owned the building, both Rick and his partner had gotten married.

"They have two kids," Rick said of his partner. "And they're running out of space. They could use our apartment as bedrooms for their kids."

"Great," we said. "Obviously you should sell to him. Why don't you?"

Rick said he'd tried, but he and his partner were at a stalemate. They were friends, but they couldn't seem to communicate with one another about a sale. They couldn't agree on a price or on a way of making a sale happen.

We said it was going to be much

easier and make far more sense for the friend to buy Rick out than to sell to an outsider. Although pricing was a problem, the building would probably be worth more as a whole than in pieces. Certainly loans and selling later would be simpler.

We spent some time talking about refinancing the loan on the building. It was possible to borrow more at a lower interest rate and keep the monthly payments the same. Depending on what price was agreed upon for Rick's quarter interest, the partner wouldn't have to add much cash to buy the whole building.

We told Rick that he could hire us to act as agents for him, but that it might be possible for him to deal directly with his partner. Why didn't he try again?

Over the next year we occasionally heard from Rick. The sale was no further along. Rick and his wife were so anxious to get on with things that at one point they rented an apartment in the building next door. The plan was to move first and figure out the sale afterwards.

This seemed pretty crazy to us.

But before they could move, by pure coincidence, the partner called us. A friend of the partner's had suggested he call us for information about a house he and his wife were thinking of buying.

Rick did not know the partner was thinking of moving; neither did the partner realize that Rick was about to move. With Rick's permission, we began to talk to both men about what each needed.

The partner said he needed more living space. He would prefer to stay

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader takes hammer to wall advice

Dear editor:
I just finished reading (the July 23 issue) and am very concerned about the article in the Real Estate section about building your own retaining wall ("Build a strong retaining wall for home's sake").

The article contained ... erroneous information that could prove costly if a homeowner followed its advice.

First off, it is against the Uniform Building Code to construct a wall three feet or higher without a design by a qualified licensed civil or structural engineer. There's good reason for this. I repeat: a licensed ENGINEER, not a landscape architect or a friendly landscape contractor should design the wall. Only an engineer knows the correct forces to design for to ensure a proper footing for the wall.

The article made it seem that hiring an engineer was unnecessary and would only add 10 percent to the cost of the job. Not having a properly designed wall will cost a homeowner a lot more than the engineer's design fee.

The backfill and drainage suggestions are incomplete and confusing. The author must be from back east — we usually don't design for frost heave out here. Concrete, masonry and timber walls do not typically have a batter. That is an old practice from long ago to make up for the rotation caused by an improperly designed wall. The only walls with a batter these days are the interlocking block type (keystone).

As a locally practicing civil engineer I am often called in to fix a problem that could have been avoided had the homeowner hired the proper professional in the first place. The worst problems are site drainage and retaining walls.

Contractors are great at what they do — construction. They should not be relied on to design drainage, walls or seismic improvements.

Homeowners should be encouraged, rather than discouraged, to call an engineer when the situation calls for it. It will be money well spent in the long run.

(Signed) Barbara Van Maren, PE.

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Editor's note: In the article to which Barbara Van Maren refers, Today's Homeowner columnist John D. Wagner recommends professional assistance when considering a project of this sort. Wagner writes, "...Call in a landscape architect or structural engineer for the design work (have the architect or engineer inspect the site thoroughly) and experienced builders for the installation." Still, with respect to safety and the Uniform Building Code, the reader's point is well taken.

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all the numbers down for both partners to consider, and delivered them to them that same day.

"How fast would you like this to happen?" Anet asked Rick.

"Today would be good," said Rick. "We're ready."

Back to the partner. "If you could be done with this whole thing immediately, if you could own and be using Rick's part of the building in a month, would you pay \$90,000?"

"You bet. But that's never going to happen because Rick will never agree," said the partner. And then he said something we'd never heard before: "We've been talking about this for 10 years."

Ten years! We couldn't believe it. Anet was now determined to succeed. "Okay," Anet said to Rick, "You

can be done with this tomorrow. Your partner will give you a check for your portion, less the amount you owe on the loan. You will give him a deed. You will owe nothing more. You can move immediately. Will you sell for \$90,000?"

He hesitated; it was less than he'd hoped for. But he accepted it.

The money and deed were ex-

changed. Rick and his wife started packing.

It was completed in less than three days. We all were amazed.

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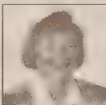
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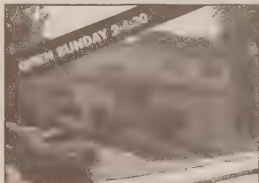


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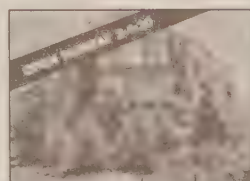
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Oakland takes historic preservation to heart

In this space last time, we explored popular though false assumptions about historic preservation ordinances. For example, many people believe that a building which has been included in the National Register of Historic Places is protected from demolition—but that's not so. Only local ordinances have the power to delay or prevent demolition of designated city landmarks.

We also described the major features of Berkeley's Neighborhood Preservation Ordinance. Now let's turn to the main elements of Oakland's Historic Preservation Element, as that city's landmarks legislation is called.

The first time I saw Oakland was when I came to begin my freshman year at UC Berkeley in the early 1970s. I took a greyhound bus from Los Angeles, and it drove through downtown Oakland on its way to the Oakland terminal.

I remember being impressed by the variety, richness and original condition of downtown Oakland's many historic structures—especially the Art Deco commercial buildings.

When I commented on these historic treasures to the bus driver, he replied "You'd better look fast, son. Most of these buildings will probably be torn down in the next several years."

As it turned out, the driver was wrong. Today, Oakland boasts one

Owning a Piece of History



By Mark Wilson

"An owner who objects to landmark status usually can get the board to table such a proposal..."

Editor's note: This is part two of a four-part series. The series began as a three-parter, but has been expanded to include more information on fights over preservation ordinances in Alameda and San Francisco.

of the nation's best preserved collections of historic architecture for cities of its size. This is the result of much diligent effort and careful planning on the part of the city's preservation movement, and those city agencies entrusted with preserving Oakland's heritage.

The first Historic Landmark Zoning Laws were passed by the Oakland City Council in October, 1973, making it one of the first cities in the

entire Bay Area to enact such legislation to protect historic buildings.

The first city landmark in Oakland was the Western Pacific Railroad Station at Third and Washington streets, a Beaux Arts gem designed in 1910 by the local architect W.H. Moore.

The Historic Preservation Element of the City's General Plan has since been updated a few times, most recently in August of 1998.

Currently, the agency that interprets this policy is the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board. It has seven members appointed by the mayor for three-year terms.

In contrast to Berkeley and many other Bay Area cities, Oakland's board is not an independent commission, but acts as an advisory commission to the City Council, which can accept or reject their recommendations regarding designated city landmarks.

There are several ways a historic building, (i.e. one built in 1945 or earlier) can become a designated city landmark. The owner of such a building can nominate it, which then leads to a public hearing on the building by the Landmarks Board.

If the board agrees, the nomination is then reviewed by the Planning Commission, which can forward it to the full City Council for acceptance or rejection.

Any other citizen of Oakland besides an owner can nominate a building for city landmark status by filing a Notice of Intent. The Secretary of the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, currently Helaine Kaplan-Prentice, then reviews the proposal and notifies the owner for his or her input.

An owner who objects to landmark status can usually get the board to table such a proposal until they are no longer the owner.

According to Betty Marvin, who has worked on the Oakland Cultural Heritage Survey since 1983, "The owner of a designated city landmark has the right to alter, or even in certain cases demolish it. A permit to remodel or demolish a landmark can be delayed for up to 240 days while the status of the building."

The Landmarks Advisory Board can then recommend allowing any proposed alterations to the building, which have to be approved by the Planning Commission.

Betty Marvin explained that the Landmarks Board "may hold a public hearing to review any proposed changes to a city landmark, in order to ensure that these changes don't destroy the cultural significance of the landmark."

The board members are open to arguments of financial hardship from the owner, or the impracticality of

maintaining the original a historic structure because of availability of materials. There are several types of protected historic landmarks provided for older landmarks. First are Designated Landmarks, or individual landmarks. Then come Areas of Interest, or historic districts, which are cohesive areas or groups of buildings designated by the board.

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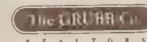
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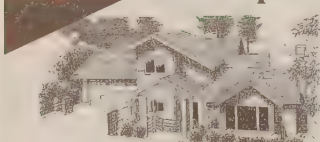
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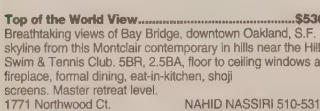
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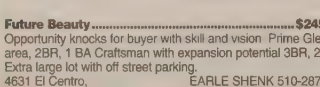
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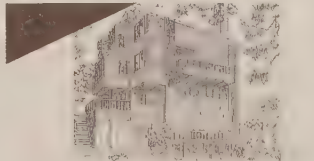
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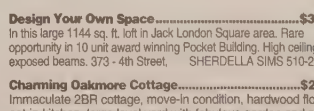
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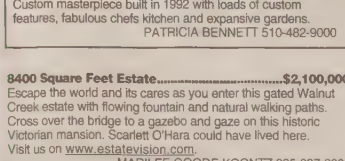
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An eco-minded finish shines through in details

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Home Front



By Pam Chang

Our relationship to our homes is aesthetic and emotional. Have respect for what goes into it.

Finishes are what most of us notice when we tour a house that's for sale. In some homes, we are tempted to pat the flooring or stroke the woodwork. Finishes affect our sense of comfort.

Following are some of my thoughts while selecting finish materials. Because many manufacturers have begun to anticipate public demand for environmentally sound products, this segment of renovation is largely satisfying.

For interior walls, I selected a veneer plaster finish: a thin layer of gypsum plaster over gypsum sheathing board. Veneer plaster requires more material and labor than standard gypsum board finish.

I chose it because I wanted to smooth out the previous trowelled-

splatter finish of the existing walls and because I like the bit of extra solidity that plastered walls seem to have. Environmentally, I've used extra gypsum that might have minor value as thermal mass.

One advantage of veneer plaster that I did not take is the possibility

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Pamela O'Malley Chang is a Berkeley homeowner, architect, engineer and construction inspector. She works for Hilliard Lau Architects in San Francisco. This is the final instalment in Chang's "Chronicle of a Green Revolution," which tracks the ups and downs of the eco-renovation of the author's 85-year-old Berkeley home.

of adding coloring pigments to the plaster itself, thus eliminating the need for paint.

For the bathroom and shower enclosure walls, I specified cement plaster walls for both durability and resistance to moisture. The 60-year-old bathroom and shower that we demolished had cement plaster walls and floors. We found no signs of dry rot in the wood framing.

The plasterers used standard stucco base coats, then applied a finish coat of fine, dense, cement plaster that was specifically made for kitchens and baths. We sealed the cured walls with a water-based acrylic elastomeric paint-like material.

For interior wood trim (baseboard, picture molding, window sills, and door and window casing), I selected paint grade finger-jointed pine or fir.

The trim on the main house was painted wood. I did not need a higher quality than paint grade so finger-jointed wood (made from short pieces of clear-grained wood, notched and glued end-to-end, milled to selected profiles) seemed like a smart use of small trees and lumber mill waste.

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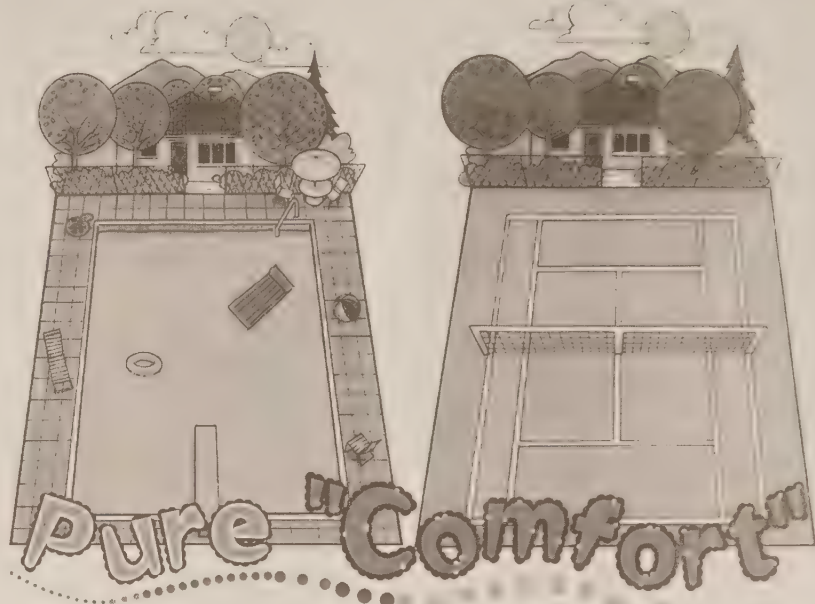
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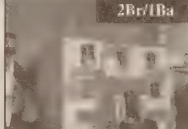
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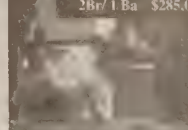
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of the Cultural Heritage Survey.

There also are Areas of Secondary Importance, which are similar to the Primary Areas except that they don't appear as eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Preservation study list

A new category for historic properties in Oakland is the Preservation Study List, which will designate individual heritage properties. The buildings to appear on this list will be protected from demolition for 60 days while the Landmarks Board reviews their status, and up to 120 days when they become designated heritage properties.

Preservation Districts

Finally, there are now six designated Historic Preservation Districts, which include a number of official city landmarks within their boundaries. These districts include Preservation Park, along Martin Luther King Junior Way between 12th and 14th streets, Old Oakland's Victorian Row along Broadway between 7th and 10th streets, and the Art Deco

era Bellvue Staten Apartments District in Adams Point along the northern shore of Lake Merritt.

City landmarks

There are 130 designated city landmarks in Oakland. Most have been placed on the landmarks list with the full co-operation of their owners, though this is not always the case.

The Oakland Tribune Tower, for example, was declared a landmark without the owner's active participation, according to Betty Marvin.

The Broadway Building is a classic example of how public pressure and moral outcry can sometimes do more to save a historic structure from demolition than landmark status alone can.

Originally known as the First National Bank Building, this elegant "flatiron" Beaux Arts treasure was built in 1907 to 1908, designed by local architect Llewellyn B. Dutton.

When the Loma Prieta Earthquake hit Oakland in 1989, the Broadway Building suffered severe damage. It was not a designated landmark at that time, and its then-absentee owners asked for permission to demolish it, saying it was economically impractical for them to restore it.

Local preservationists rallied to try to save the building, eventually

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Mark Wilson

getting it placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The City of Oakland now owns the Broadway Building, and it has been fully restored and leased to various tenants. It is still not an officially designated city landmark, although it

may eventually be granted this status.

The lesson to be learned from this experience, says Betty Marvin, is that it often requires both public pressure and some type of official landmark designation to save a historic structure from imminent demolition.

Oakland's two most recent city landmarks are the American Bag Company Building at 299 3rd St., designed in 1917 by Leonard Thomas (who started the Thomas Brothers' Map Company), and the Chapel of the Chimes at 4499 Piedmont Avenue, designed by Julia Morgan and completed in 1928.

With its distinguished record of preserving its architectural heritage, Oakland can be proud of its commitment to maintaining its cultural

resources for future

Next week Let's take fights for preservation Alameda and San Francisco as the current battle is such laws in Palo Alto

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Pacific Union pitches in for kids

From staff reports

The Friends of the Oakland Public Library are hard at work raising funds to purchase tables and chairs for new children's room at the Montclair branch.

The Friends' latest benefactors: agents of Pacific Union Residential Brokerage of Montclair/Piedmont.

This week, Pacific Union stepped up to the plate with an undisclosed amount to propel library staff closer to their goal of \$38,000 for the children's room.

According to Pacific Union's Pat Dedekian, the brokerage firm hopes to play its contribution with those of other Montclair residents — Dedekian said her firm promoted the fundraiser in its newsletter, which



FOR A GOOD CAUSE: Pictured left to right are (front) Leslie Gordon and Ann Nichols from Pacific Union; Micah McKechnie, 8, holding envelope with donation; and Pacific Union's Pam Hoffmann and Pat Dedekian. In the back row are agents Vickie Woodhead, Lee Jacobson and Joan Hause.

has been mailed to more than 7,000 homes in Montclair.

The fundraiser is part of a planned \$600,000 expansion that will provide more space to accommodate the vitality and popularity of the branch's child-oriented programs, such as its Wednesday morning story time.

Kathleen Hirooka, community relations librarian, said the FOPL plan to take the fund-raising effort to the merchants of Montclair in the next few weeks.

FOPL have already received \$5,492 from individuals in the community as a result of mailings and notices posted inside the branch.

The first donation from the business community came in the form of a \$3,000 check from local real estate broker Nahid Nassiri.

Measure I, a general obligation bond passed by voters in 1996, provided funding for the library's growth.

However, the conditions of Measure I provide money only for structural improvements or expansion and cannot be used for furniture or materials to fill the new space.

To support the Friends of the Oakland Public Library, contact Kathleen Hirooka at 238-6713, or C.J. Hirschfeld at 339-1808. Mail donations to Friends of the Oakland Public Library—Montclair Branch, 721 Washington St., Oakland, CA, 94607. Those who donate \$100 or more will have their names displayed on a plaque in the library.

Checklist

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If you're interested in any kind of renovation, find out how much it will cost in the area.

What do you need?

Of course, there are the basics: the number of bedrooms and bathrooms. Are you single? Married with three kids? Planning to live with a roommate? Is this a starter home you'll move out of in five years, or is this the homestead for life?

What about amenities: Do you need a garage? Do you want a swimming pool? Will you work out of your home and need a quiet space away from the rest of the house?

The real estate agent could spend forever showing your homes, because there's so much on the market. It really helps if a buyer can narrow down his priorities as much as possible.

Prioritize those needs

Each neighborhood provides its own list of specialties. For the uninitiated, it's a house-hunting nightmare.

Let the real estate agent know your lifestyle so he can put together the proper package of homes he has for sale. Decide whether you'd like to be close to golf, beaches or nature

preserves, for example.

Then touch on the lifestyle questions: Do you want maintenance? If you have a house, you have to concern yourself with maintenance; for example, mowing the yard or painting the house. If you want a condo, do you want to live that close (to others) and live where you have restrictions? Do you want a secured community? Do you want privacy? Do you want acreage? Is a view important to you?

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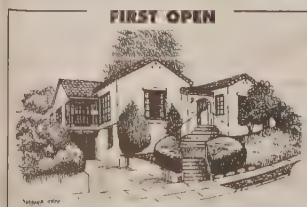
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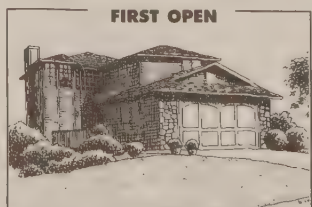
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Revolution

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flooring stock to obtain the extra-long windows profile that I wanted. In my renovation, flooring has attracted more admiration than any other finish material. The original floors in the addition bedrooms were parquet-patterned hardwoods. They survived the renovation protected under eighth-inch plywood "door skins." In the new bathroom, entry hall and pantry, I chose natural linoleum. The linoleum, made from linseed oil and wood fiber, pressure-cooked onto a latex backing, antedates vinyl. It is advertised as "the 40-year floor" and, in its modern incarnation, comes in a variety of richly mottled tones. It costs more than vinyl but less than many types of tile, stone, or hardwood flooring. It is easily installed, easily maintained, is naturally antiseptic, and, at the end of its life span, can be shredded for compost. Some people, however, are sensitive to linseed fumes and may be on edge to the smell of new linoleum — I recently noticed it. I found natural linoleum from a local carpet and vinyl flooring supplier.

Paint the town green

I spent much of my effort on this renovation on paint. As well as researching lead paint issues (discussed previously), I experimented with readily available commercial paints and did most of the interior painting myself. I did not try any of the all-natural additional paints made from plant products (linseed oils, citrus, beeswax, milk, etc.), nor did I look for sources of recycled paint or used excess paint collected for repackaging. The exterior paint is one of the major contributors to indoor air pollution in toxic building syndrome. Air pollution standards have been in effect since the 1980s to reduce the volatile organic compounds that paints emit while drying. Recently, zero-VOC paints have been developed as well as paints that

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■ Painting and lead abatement: McKinley Painting, (510) 548-7736

■ Flooring installer: Sunshine Floor Covering, PO Box 20114, El Sobrante, CA 94820; (510) 223-4300

■ Natural linoleum supplier: Anderson Carpet and Linoleum, 4101 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94611

■ Heating installer: Ceridono Engineered Heating, 1215 10th St., Berkeley, CA 94710; (510) 528-1622

■ Energy consultant: Gabel Dodd Associates, 1818 Harmon St., Berkeley, CA 94703-2416

■ Lumber and Hardware supplier: Truitt and White Lumber, Hearst Ave., Berkeley, CA

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■ Lighting supplier: El Cerrito Lighting, 10330 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530-3196; (510) 525-3266

■ Zero-VOC paint supplier: East Bay Paint Center, 990 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706; (510) 524-6582

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Source: Pam Chang

will seal previously off-gassing surfaces. In general, lower-VOC materials reduce the risk of triggering chemical sensitivities although some people may still react to non-VOC paint components.

For my house, I used some of the new very-low and zero-VOC latex primer, flat, and semi-gloss paints for interior walls, ceilings, and wood trim. These paints performed nicely, spread evenly, dried quickly, required minimum re-coating, cleaned up easily and were pleasant to work with. They also came at premium cost. Very low and zero-VOC paints are not available for exterior paint unless one is willing to forego the usually added mildewcides and fungicides.

In the interest of experimentation and waste reduction, I used some alkyd (oil-based) enamel paints and latex (water-based) enamel paints leftover from previous years. The old latex enamel tended to sag and leave jagged drip lines while drying in cold, damp days.

The alkyd enamel, slightly off-white from age, went on beautifully but took hours, sometimes days, to dry. For at least six months, the pantry cabinets smelled like new paint whenever I opened them. Clean up of the oil-based paints was a nuisance even after I learned to recover paint thinner by letting it sit until the solids settled out.

Comfort and responsibility

I finished construction in April 1998. Energy bills indicate that I have reduced my electricity use by about one kilowatt-hour per day (about 20 percent). Gas savings are variable but seem to average about 15 percent below previous years. Dollar-wise, my energy savings are probably less than \$200 per year. On an energy basis alone, clearly, the renovation is not cost effective. (Case studies on new construction projects, however, show significant energy savings.)

My house is, however, appreciably more comfortable. The second floor bedroom no longer sweaters and the downstairs rooms are no longer drafty with icy floors. The passive solar concepts work. Sunlight shines deep into the house through the light-

well windows all winter and is blocked by the roof eaves in the summer. Coming in late at night, I feel the warmth retained inside the house even when the heat has been off all day. On hot summer days, opening the lightwell windows indeed cools the whole house. The best pleasure, however, is the ample natural daylight throughout the house for most of the day. I like the renovation, and, now that the memory of dust and upheaval, major expense, and hard labor fades, it seems worthwhile.

Nevertheless, I reach the conclusion that "green" construction is an oxymoron. Construction is a labor- and materials-intensive activity. It uses up tremendous amounts of renewable and nonrenewable resources and generates about a third of our landfill waste.

"Green" construction in some respects is like "lite" ice cream, small and marginally effective atonement.

So why should we bother? A friend, in jest, suggests that I quit worrying, live it up, and let the future be damned.

This is my answer: I believe that the future quality of my life, certainly, and the future of human existence, possibly, are at stake. I enjoy life; I believe that the fair response is to make a conscious attempt at living responsibly.

I believe that the evidence is in that the environment in which we have evolved has been radically changed by recent human behavior. I believe that El Nino, La Nina, increased severity and unpredictability of weather, earlier onset of summer, and receding glaciers are evidence of global climatic change. I believe that human consumption of fossil fuels — and consequent increased atmospheric carbon dioxide — is the likely cause of climatic instability. I believe that diseases such as cancer, sick building syndrome

and asthma are triggered or aggravated by environmental pollutants.

I am willing to believe studies that suggest that now-believable man-made petrochemicals mimic and interfere with the hormones that regulate human development.

In my not-so-lengthy lifetime, lumber quality has decreased as old-growth timber stands are depleted. Air quality indexes and smog alerts have been added to weather reports. Bottled water has become a standard commodity. What's next?

I could have spent a fortune on a luxury vehicle or refinishing the bathroom in exotic hardwoods or buying stock in oil futures. I believe that preservation and maintenance of existing construction are better investments.

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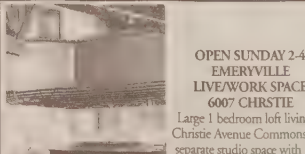
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- 832 SAN LUIS RD** \$1,100,000
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- 60 OAKRIDGE** \$895,000
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- 626 SANTA BARBARA** \$795,000
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- 2313 CEDAR** \$235,000
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- 1246 RICHMOND ST** \$229,900
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- 645 LOIS LANE** \$305,800
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- 6007 CHRISTIE** \$325,000
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- 83 KENSINGTON RD** \$415,000
Canyon View! 3/2 on quiet street. Hdwd floors. Lg private deck. Marvin Gardens 527-9111, Marilyn Rhodes 559-2928

- 31 RINCON RDI** \$335,000
FIRST SHOWING 2/1 in peaceful setting w/lovely garden. Big LR. Hdwd floors. Prudential CA, Lloyd Jung 644-5215

- 363 COLUSA** \$329,950
3+bd/2ba w/Bay Views! Grt floor plan, big kitchen, bonus rm, 2-car garage. Prudential CA

526-5143, Lloyd Jung 844-5215

MORAGA OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

- 1130 RIMER DR** \$489,000
Hidden Moraga Treasure! Spacious 4/2 ranch nestled among the trees. Walk to schools. Large flat lot. Hurry! Coldwell Banker, Jim Rauschkolb 925-376-4849

ORINDA OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

- 51 MIRA LOMA** \$885,000
Country Club Property. Prudential CA Realty, Alice 527-9800

PIEDMONT OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

- 70 SOMERSET** \$1,339,000
5+bd/4.5ba expansive contemp w/pool, & multiple decks! Prudential CA 428-0900, Chris Neddersen 527-0174 OPEN 2-5
- 459 MOUNTAIN AVE** \$885,000
Charming English 3+bd/3+ba w/SF Bay views! Aupair. Beautiful patio. Den. Pacific Union, Sally Morrison 339-6460

- 668 BLAIR AVE** \$829,500
Gorgeous vws of SF & beyond! Formal LR & DR. Fab decking. Gorgeous stylish mstr suite. GRUBB Co, Carin Caroe 339-0400

- 190 MAXWELTON** \$795,000
4bd/3ba w/SF & Bay views! Pvt park-like setting. Family rm. Den. Patio & yd. Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460

- 16 SCENIC AVE** \$769,000
Sunny central trad'l. 3bdrms up. Elegant formal LR & DR. Family rm. Level out garden. GRUBB Co, Anian Tunney 339-0400

- 61 MAXWELTON RD** \$549,000
Great for entertaining! Updated contemp w/newer kit/ba. Grt in & out living. Coldwell Banker, Michael Thompson 339-1174

- 361 MORAGA AVE** \$539,000
NEW LISTING! FIRST OPEN! Renovated Bungalow. 4bd/2ba. Lawton Associates 547-5970

RICHMOND OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

- 458 CARLSTON** \$379,950
R. View. Mira Vista. 3+1.5 gorgeous Tudor w/remod gourmet kitchen. Fab yard. New roof. FDR. 2200 sq. ft. WOW! Security Pacific, Geri Stern 234-7808

- 6055 MONTEREY AVE** \$339,950
vR View. Custom 4/2 w/beautiful SF & bay view! Complete kit & bath remodel. Hdwd flrs. 2 frpls. Agent 232-1633 OPEN 1-5

- 640 HUMBOLDT** \$168,000
Richmond View. 3bd/1ba w/big yard! "AS IS" sale. Prudential CA, Vena Flint 527-9800 OPEN 1-4

- 3211 ROOSEVELT** \$153,000
Lovely 3bd/1ba w/hardwood floors. Prudential CA, Carol Kim 527-9800

SAN LEANDRO OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

- 2439 JAMAICA WAY** \$249,000
3bd/2ba w/new tiled floors, fresh paint. Large LR. EIK. Yards. Prudential CA 428-0900, Helen Mar 644-5219

OAKLAND OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

- 7173 NORFOLK RD** \$1,250,000
Oakland Hills. 4/3+ magnificent bay viewhome! Private cul-de-sac. Lush setting. Pacific Union, Dee Knowland 339-6460

- 6130 MAZUELA DR** \$938,000
Montclair. 5/4. Quality new construction & craftsmanship. Exc. design details! Prudential CA, Jim Forquer 869-4263

- 1680 GRANDVIEW DR** \$895,000
Claremont Hills. 5+bd/3+ba. Fab new bayview contemp w/custom fixtures. Bonus rm Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460

- 6620 ESTATES DR** \$869,000
Piedmont side of Montclair. 3+3+ quality new constr. Exquisite details! View! Prudential CA, Kurt Meyer 869-4254

- 1830 GRANDVIEW DR** \$735,000
Claremont Hills. Hillside nest w/great Bayview. Home office. Deluxe mstr. Pacific Union, Bonnie Hirsch 339-6460

- 6363 CONTRA COSTA** \$725,000
Upper Rockridge. FIRST OPEN. 5bd/3+ba. Sunfilled. Bay & Hill vws. In & out living! Coldwell Banker, Ruth Lockhart 339-1174

- 6350 CONTRA COSTA RD** \$699,000
Up Rockridge. Light airy 4/4 contemp. Quality stone work. 2 frpls. More! Prudential CA, Dana Eng 869-4230

- 8079 BROADWAY TER** \$695,000
4+bd/3+ba. Elegant design. Vaulted ceiling. Gourmet kitchen. Level backyd. Bay Vw! Prudential, Mary Dresser 869-4224

- 7057 SHIRLEY DR** \$675,000
Montclair. 4bd/3ba. Excellent spacious newer home! LaSalle Properties, Deborah Riney 339-8900

- 2673 HAVERHILL DR** \$675,000
Montclair. NEW LISTING! New 3+3/3. Craftsman detail. Quality! Loft. Gourmet kit. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

- 120 CALVERT CT** \$629,000
Price Slashed! Unique serene setting. Wonderful for in & out living! 3+bd/2ba. Grand living rm, formal DR, wine cellar. GRUBB Company, Sheila Gallagher 339-0400

- 1725 ALHAMBRA LN** \$625,000
Homes 3/3 perfect for entertaining! On quiet cul-de-sac. Bldt in 1991. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

- 6849 BROADWAY TER** \$595,000
Montclair. NW LISTING! 4/3 Med style. Gourmet kitchen, hdwd floors, bsmt, wine cellar, landscaped front & back. Hot tub. Wells & Bennett, Kate Phillips 531-7000 X228/436-4100

- 2731 CHELSEA DR** \$595,000
Piedmont Pines. Diamond in the Rough. 4/2.5. Great location. Indoor pool. Coldwell Banker, Donna Conroy 339-1174

- 5970 GRIZZLY PEAK** \$575,000
Montclair. 4+bd/2ba w/fab views. Decks. Contemp designer hm. Great SF commute! Prudential CA, Laurel Strand 339-8301

- 834 CARLSTON** \$574,000
Crocker. 3bdms. 2.25ba. NEW PRICE! Large yard. Big rooms. Investco, Lynne Tilson 834-9033

- 1926 ROSECREST DR** \$549,000
Upper Oakmore. Spacious 3bd/3ba trad'l. Fab view! New kitchen. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

- 29 WINDWARD HILLS** \$535,000
Hiller. 3/2.5 w/ pano views of bay bridges. Spacious loft. Many upgrades. Prudential CA 428-0900, Faye Magee 644-5498

- 1771 NORTHWOOD CT** \$530,000
Montclair. Top of the World View! 5bd. 2.5ba. Mstr retreat. Frpl. Courtyard entry. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

- 631 VERNON** \$525,000
Rose Garden. Gorgeous 2 story, 5bd/ 2+ba Craftsman + apt + studio. LaSalle Properties, Doris 339-8900 OPEN 2-4

- 686 MANDANA BL** \$499,000
Crocker. 3+bd/1+ba. Gorgeous 1915 trad'l. New kitchen. LaSalle Properties, Lois Johnson 339-8900

- 5642 AMY DR** \$479,000
Upper Rockridge. 3+2.5. Unique. A "must see the inside"! Large family room. Prudential CA, Gadsby Team 748-5300

- 2541 STOCKBRIDGE** \$475,000
Montclair. 3+bd/3ba. SF Bay, tree, & cyn vistas. Family rm. Atrium. Patio, garden. Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460

- 5011 CRYSTAL RIDGE** \$469,000
Ridgemont. 3bd/2+ba. NEW LISTING! SF/GG views. Family rm. New paint/carpet. Pacific Union, Robyn Mohr 339-8460

- 6323 CASTLE DR**
Price Reduction. Striking 3+bd/3.5ba w/ bay & cyn vws from alt rm. GRUBB Co, Josephine 339-0400

- 6768 BANNING DR**
Montclair. 3+bd/3ba stylish contemp with FDR, family rm, mstr w/bay view. Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460

- 741 WALKER AVE**
Grand Lake. 4/2+ renovated Craftsman w/ legal 1bd apt below. Herbert, Richard Matus 834-2010

- 980 PARK LN**
Crocker Highlands. Lovely & Refurbished. 3bd/3ba. LaSalle Properties 8900

- 789 SANTA RAY**
Crocker Highlands. NEW LISTING. 3bd/2b trad'l renovated top to bottom. Michelle Vasey 339-6460

- 4393 DETROIT AVE**
Redwood Hts. 3bd/2ba spacious trad'l on cul-de-sac. FDR. 2-car w/2 garage. Diane McCan 339-6460

- 6125 SKYLINE BL**
Montclair. Loads of space! 3+2.5 w/serene views, soaring ceilings, hardwood floors. Family rm downstairs. Bonus rm/office. Coldwell Banker, Vicki Falk 339-6460

- 7772 HANSON DR**
Oakland Hills. NEW LISTING. 4/2.5 w/ 2-bridge vw! Great kitchen. Prudential CA, D.A. Hammond 869-4219

- 854 WALKER**
Price Reduced! Grand home w/spacious rooms & views. 3+2+3.5. Co, Sheila Gallagher 339-0400

- 6351 THORNHILL DR**
Montclair. Updtd 2+2 trad'l. Privacy & sun. Custom upgrades. A charming home. Bennett, Peter & Ellen 339-9780

- 31 MONTELL ST**
Piedmont Ave shingled contemporary built in 1988. 3bdms. 2.5 bath. 653-8996

- 6756 BANNING**
Montclair. Contemporary 2+bd/2.5ba. Hi ceilings. Skyites. Value! Montclair Homes 339-8400

- 2561 FRUITVALE**
Fruitvale. 4 units + office including a very nice 3bdrm owners unit. Property. Owens 869-4217

- 736 54TH ST**
North Oakland. Spacious 4/2 trad'l. FDR, mstr suite, frpl, lg yd w/fruit trees. CA, Henriette Green 845-2021

- 1 CAMISA CT**
Spacious 4+bd/2.5ba. Formal dining rm. Family rm. Pano Hill views. Red Oak. Fae Bidgoli 526-0900

- 3971 GREENWOOD AV**
Glenview. 2/1 bungalow. Gardener's dream! Deck. EZ commute to SF. Prudential, Colette Ford 848-1093

- 4347 TERRABELLA PL**
Sophisticated single family townhm style living w/bay views. 3/2.5 w/2 car retreat. European Village setting. GRUBB Company, John Karmay 339-9400

- 5805 MERRIWOOD**
Montclair. 3bdrm. Full of charm! Bay view. Bright flowers & warm sun. Prudential, Barbara Reynolds 845-0200

- 373 4TH STREET**
Jack London Sq. 1144 sq. ft. loft. Design your own space. Rare opportunity. Award Winning Pocket Bldg. Montclair Better Homes 339-4000

- 6975 SARONI DR.**
FIRST OPEN 2+1/1. Patio & Garden. Hardwood floors. Garage. LaSalle Properties 339-8900

- 8364 NEY AVE**
Immaculate 3/2 remodel w/frpl, family rm, hill vw, lg rear yd, garage. Prudential, Walter Edmonson 869-5843

- 419 43RD ST**
Temescal. Fab 2bd/1ba Craftsman. Move in condition! Oak flrs. frpl, grt yd. CA, Lisa Friedman 898-9456

- 419 SARONIA LN**
NEW LISTING 2 mstr suites. 2.5ba. End unit townhome w/balconies, view. Fireplace, 2-car garage. Wells & Bennett, Chris Christensen 531-7000 X203

- 3873 FRUITVALE**
Dimond. Cute 3/2.5 farmhouse. Totally remodeled. Frpl, laundry rm, dog yard. Prudential CA, Rita Harrington 428-0900

- 6042 LEONA**
Leona Hts. 3bd/2ba w/sparkling hdwd flrs. Updtd ba. Sunset views. Updtd Prudential CA, Darrin Tinsley 834-2010

- 3393 VICTOR**
Redwood Heights. 2/2 includes mstr suite. Updtd kit/ba. 2-car gar. Hillside Banker, Ruby Ng/Karen Lum 339-1174

- 200 CALDECOTT LN #207**
Oakland Hills. 2bd/2ba condo. Move in condition! LaSalle Properties 8900

- 3272 KNOWLAND AVE**
2+bd/1.5ba charming Trad'l w/bay views. Hdws. Exc. floor plan. NEW LISTING. Prudential CA, Sharon Ho 869-4220

- 4631 EL CENTRO**
Glenview. 2/1 Craftsman fixer w/great potential! Bonus spaces. Montclair 339-4000

- 1405 ALLMAN ST**
Glenview. NEW LISTING. 2/1+ w/hdws. FDR, finished bsmt, live roof. Prudential CA, Mark Ross 869-4256

- 4091 WHITTLE AVE**
Oakmore. Updated cottage on huge lot! 2 bedrooms. 1 bath. Montclair 339-4000

- 1770 EXCELSIOR**
Shangri-la in Glenview! 2/1. Lush garden w/waterfall. Serene & inviting. CB Rose 869-4253

- 6042 OUTLOOK AVE**
Millmont. 2/1+ charmer w/lg rampus rm. Refinished plank floors. New kitchen. Prudential CA, John Veseley 869-4209

- 4635 CAMDEN ST**
Maxwell Park. FIRST TIME OPEN! Ready to move into! 2bd/1ba w/frpl. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

- 1107 ALVARADO RD**
Claremont. DRIVE BY this great buildable lot. Some cyn & bay vws. EZ Deck. Security garage, storage, pool. The GRUBB Company 898-9411

- 8038 IDELWOOD ST**
3bd/1ba. DR, bkfst nook, fireplace, hdwd floors, garage, low maintenance. Prudential CA 834-2010

- 330 VERNON ST #102**
Lovely Adams Point condo. Sunny 2bd/2b corner unit. Dining area. Updtd Deck. Security garage, storage, pool. The GRUBB Company 898-9411

- 6028 MLK JR. WAY**
3bd/1ba. Charming little brown shingle craftsman-style home w/bay view. JUST LISTED! Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Hill 848-1950 X242 OPEN 2-4

- 5429 ROBERTS AVE**
Maxwell Park. 2bd/1ba w/open floor plan. Large kitchen. Prudential CA 287-2521

- 3024 MABEL ST**
FIRST OPEN! 2bd/1ba snug bungalow Affordable! LaSalle Properties. Nick Lavrov 525-2727

- 3815 RUBY ST**
Temescal. 2/1 charming cottage. Hdws

Swap bonds in savings strategy

Rising interest rates usually spell bad news for bond investors who get hit with losses on securities they may have bought only months earlier. If you own a bond whose value has declined since you purchased it, you do not have to sit tight and receive face value when your bonds mature.

Now may be a good opportunity to swap your bond portfolio and maybe even create a better one by swapping some of your bonds for new ones.

Bond swapping is a simple investment technique that entails selling a bond you currently own and using the sale proceeds to purchase a different bond.

Why savings

One reason for swapping bonds is to save on taxes. By selling a bond for more than you originally paid for it and realizing a loss of principal, you can establish a tax-deductible loss.

However, you should be careful not to swap in a tax-deferred account such as a 401(k) or an Individual Retirement Account. If you do decide to swap, make sure and move fast because interest rates change and eliminate the opportunity for a tax loss. You can swap practically any investment, but fixed-income securities such as bonds are ideal. That is because most fixed-income sectors are in ample supply, so it is easy to find two securities that are similar in price, interest rate, credit quality and maturity.

It is more difficult to find two securities with some of the same characteristics

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and that will perform the same way bonds do in rising or falling markets.

More income, less risk

Besides establishing a tax loss, investors also swap bonds for a variety of other reasons, including to reflect a change in their investing goals, to receive more income and to reduce risk.

Before you begin swapping away, there are a few points to consider. You should take into account more than just the tax-consequences when considering a bond swap as well as whether you need to swap at all.

If you are retired, have little income, small losses or do not need a tax loss, it may be best to sit tight and wait for your bonds to pay face value when you redeem them at maturity.

When considering a bond swap, try to avoid the wash-sale rule, which prohibits you from deducting a capital loss by selling a security and repurchasing essentially the same security within 30 days before or after the sale.

To make a bond swap work, you will have to switch to a bond with a substantially different issuer, coupon or maturity. The bond must be different in two of these three characteristics.

A final consideration is timing. If your bonds have lost value because interest rates have risen, you do not

have to wait until the end of the year to swap them. Many investors wait to swap bonds late in the year only to find that replacement bonds are more difficult to locate than they

were earlier in the year.

Bond swapping may benefit your portfolio. Or you might receive greater benefits by holding out and waiting for your bonds to mature. A financial

consultant may help you evaluate your portfolio and decide whether bond swapping is right for you.

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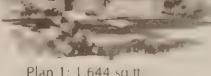
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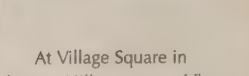
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High-rent districts

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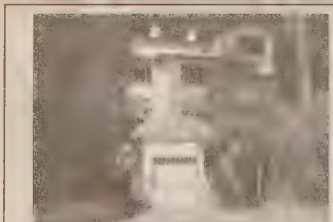
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Infiniti scores with second-generation I30

Rethought engine, body lines make for distinctive ride

By Arnold Wechter
NORTH AMERICAN AUTO WRITERS SYNDICATE

NEWPORT BEACH — The second generation of Infiniti's near-luxury class sedan, the Infiniti I30, features all-new styling, a more powerful V-6 engine and an improved ride and handling.

Powering the new model is a refined version of the 3.0-liter DOHC V-6 (named one of the "10 Best Engines" five years running by Ward's Auto World). The engine provides 227 horsepower, up by 37 over the earlier version and 217 ft/lbs of torque, an increase of 12 ft/lbs.

The I30 is scheduled to reach dealer showrooms in September, said Infiniti Division Vice President and General Manager Tom Orbe. Pricing will be announced closer to the fall on-sale date.

The all-new styling features fluid forms which sweep front to rear, unique front and rear end design, new flush-mounted multi-parabola halogen headlights with optional high-intensity Xenon headlights.

The styling is a complete restyle, distinctive from the previous generation I30 and to all other vehicles in its class. It is



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Auto Law

By Richard Phelps



Richard Phelps

Introducing a new column on Bay Area drivers' rights, responsibilities and recourses...

Know your insurance coverages

Editor's note: This is part one of a three-part series on basic auto insurance coverages: liability, uninsured motorist and collision/comprehensive/medical payments.

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Emergency crews counting on you to hear, heed siren

The car in the TV commercial was elegant, and so was the creature emerging from it. The point of the ad was to demonstrate the burst of music when she opened the door and the total silence when she closed it. The closed door cut the music off as if with scissors.

Ah, how cocoon-quiet is this car was the implication. Enclosed inside is a world that is your own, awash with lush strings and crisp brasses flooding from multiple speakers. In the interior hush you can converse in near whispers while outside a cacophony of jackhammers, honking taxis and roaring motorcycles enact a dumb show before your window.

No extraneous noises infringe upon your sanctuary. What's wrong with this picture? What if those extraneous noises included the siren of an emergency vehicle?

Increasingly, with sound-deadened interiors, concert-hall sound systems, and air-conditioning (sometimes accompanied by noisy fans), drivers are not hearing the sirens,

Drive, She Said

By Denise McLuggage



Denise McLuggage

Sure, you can shut the aural world out—but at what cost?

bells, gongs and whistles of emergency vehicles. This can mean anything from disastrous t-boning crashes at intersections to serious delays of fire trucks, ambulances or police cars.

The sight I witnessed recently in New York is not uncommon. A looming great truck with multicolored lights flashing and siren blaring was tight on the tail of a light-colored

sedan that nonetheless motored along in oblivion. What we have here is a failure to communicate.

Ronald C. Henarie, who is a thoughtful man as well as a retiree from the San Antonio Police Department, has offered what looks—or sounds—to be a simple solution: a signal alert from a siren that would sound inside the car through the radio system whether the radio was on or not. In a letter to me, Henarie wrote:

"I propose that a small low-powered transmitter be connected to the sirens that would put out a signal which would be received and sound an emergency tone in nearby vehicles. I say low-powered because you would not want it to be received more than a quarter to half a mile away from the emergency vehicle."

Only the drivers in close proximity would hear the tone in their cars and would know to pull over to the right and wait for the emergency vehicle to pass.

"The transmitter would need a di-

rectional antenna so the signal would only be transmitted forward. This way people hearing the signal would know the vehicle is approaching and not retreating."

"A portion of the car radio is hot as soon as the ignition switch is turned on. This portion of the radio could be set to receive the signal and sound the emergency tone even if the radio is not turned on. In addition to sounding an emergency tone it could also flash a light so that (the) hearing impaired could be alerted."

That sounds to me like an excellent suggestion and something that could be added to the Radio Data Systems radios that are increasingly common in cars. It certainly would help to smooth the path of firefighters, paramedics and police officers, as well as to reduce the risk of collisions for civilians wrapped in the calm of their cars.

Car (and radio) makers: pay attention. Until such a system is common here are some ways to avoid conflict with emergency vehicles:

Watch other cars

If a car you are following pulls over don't assume the hole he left in the traffic is for you. Look and listen to learn why he moved before dashing to take advantage.

Watch pedestrians

If many of them suddenly look in the same direction, assume something is happening that you need to know about. As familiar a city sound as a siren is, most people still turn their heads to see when it is near.

Watch your mirrors

Your eyes should constantly scan your mirrors—right, left and center—to update the ongoing scene around you. With a quick and ro-

ing eye you might see before the siren is seen the window down, doors and clear the path.

If you sense something happening from whatever hit the instant-down electric windows and your car is virtually invisible, good bet it has instant windows.

Pay special attention at intersections

Don't leap into the first glimmer of green, especially if large vehicles are in your view.

Review: Today's Jag a stealthy, reliable cat

By Tom Keane

The downside of my test-drive week in the all-new 2000 Jaguar S-Type was having to return it. Believe me, this car is exceptionally enjoyable to drive.

The fact that a Jaguar offered such enjoyment was surprising. I'm of the old school where we'd jest, "You have to own two Jaguars: one to drive while the other was in the garage having repairs."

For those who still labor under such a false notion, be assured that today's Jaguar is a completely different animal.

The change is the result of Ford Motor Company's partnership with this British manufacturer. Today's Jaguar retains its distinctive elegant appearance, but the electronics and mechanicals are greatly improved. Instead of waddling down the road, the S-Type tracks the road with precision. Steering, especially in sharp turns, is precise. It has a solid ride and quickly responds to hard acceleration.

My tester had a 4.0-liter V8 engine that produced 281 horsepower. There is a V6 engine available, but having driven the V8, I wouldn't opt for anything less. Pickup and performance were two of the reasons this week was so pleasurable. Jaguar people say it takes 8 seconds for 0-60 mph with the V6 engine, but only 6.6 seconds with the V8.

Top speed in either car is 130 mph and 150 mph with the sport package. Such performance statistics are definitely worthy of their boasts.

The suspension on this heavy rear-wheel drive car enables it to hug the road even in sharp turns. Should



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a sudden quick turn be required, the S-Type features Dynamic Stability Control that senses when the vehicle is about to go out of control and instantly applies brakes and acceleration to the proper wheels to stabilize and keep the car going in its intended direction.

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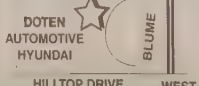
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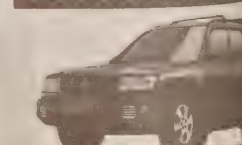


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Escalade puts Caddy on SUV map

GM stylists craft luxury truck in market struggle

By Arnold and Marion Wechter

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Some vehicles have almost as many lives as that fabled cat. An excellent example is the new Cadillac Escalade — GM's answer to the Lincoln Navigator and other luxury full-size sport-utility vehicles.

The Escalade started life as a much humbler Chevrolet Tahoe and GMC Yukon. We praised both of these vehicles in earlier road tests. We drove the Tahoe from Seattle to Anchorage over the rugged Alaska Highway and it passed this difficult test with flying colors.

Then General Motors decided its game plan was to make GMC the upscale truck division and Yukon suddenly found itself with a fancy twin, the Denali. The Denali's job was to take the luxury full-size SUV market.

Before the Denali could take on the competition, Cadillac, GM's prestige division, found itself in dire need of a fancy SUV.

GM's stylists and engineers were pushed back onto the job and told to design the Escalade.

Does the Escalade differ from the Tahoe, Yukon and Denali? Yes and no. The body shape has changed little.

It still provides the typical boxy shape of an SUV. Add on the traditional Cadillac grille with the famed crest and you have a Cadillac — the best truck from the division in its 96-year history.

The stylists have replaced the typical chrome bumpers of lesser trucks with body-colored units which flow into dent-resistant sculptured side panels and integral running boards.

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- Type: Four-door SUV
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- Transmission: 4L60 4-speed automatic

of high-impact polycarbonate.

Six-spoke chromed aluminum wheels with premium radial tires developed for all-weather highway use finish off the Escalade.

The interior is pure Cadillac. The seats have been redesigned to match the SUV's ride characteristic and then covered with soft Nuance leather perforated inserts.

Marion described them as com-

- Drive system type: front-engine/4-wheel drive
- Transfer case: AutoTrac active transfer case
- Steering: speed-sensitive, electronic variable-orifice (EVO) power assist
- Brakes: Vented front 11.57 in discs, rear 11.15 in. drums, vacuum power, four-wheel ABS
- Wheelbase: 117.5 in.

fortable with plenty of support. Cadillac's engineers reportedly worried that the soft leather would not stand up to the rough treatment. They built a special test rig to simulate a customer sliding in and out over the seat and it proved the durability of the leather.

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- Overall length: 201.2 in.
- Width: 77.0 in.
- Height: 74.3 in.
- Track, front/rear: 62.6/63.6 in.
- Curb weight: 5572.7 lbs.
- Fuel capacity: 30 gal.
- EPA rating: 13 mpg city/16 mpg highway

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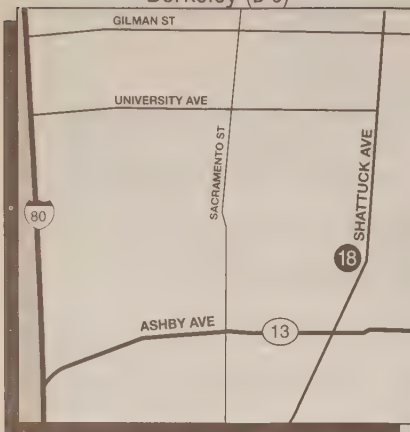
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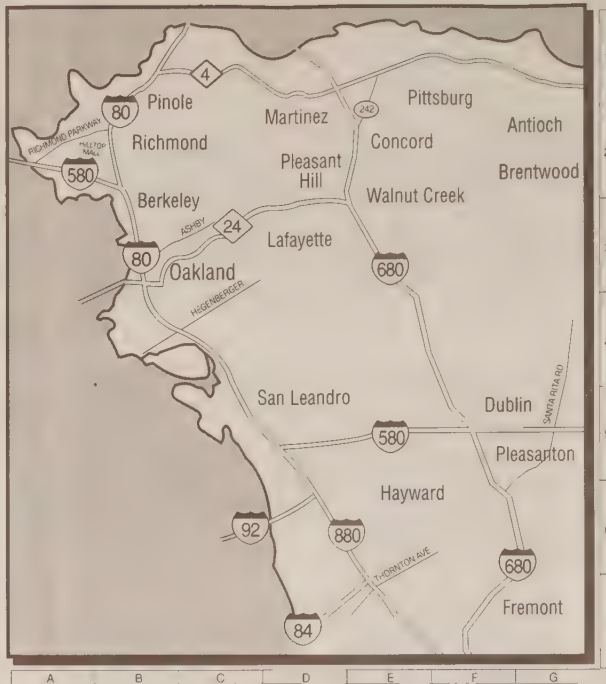
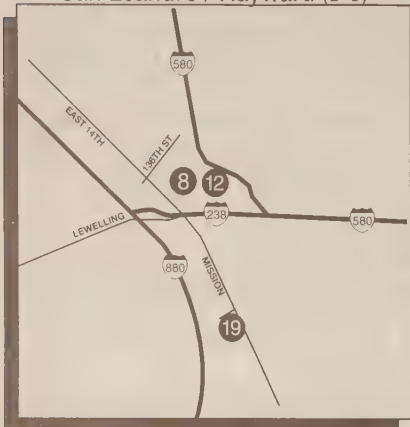
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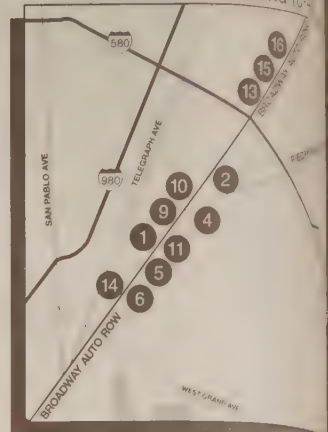
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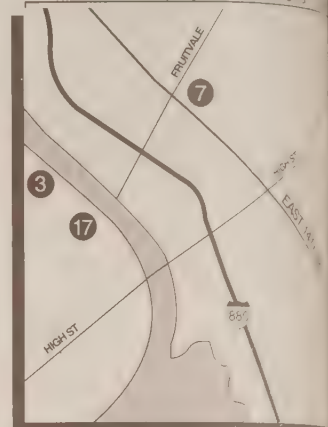
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Jaguar

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for the ultimate in luxury, the climate control unit can be operated by voice commands, there is a navigational system that is easy to operate, and the rain-sensitive windshield wipers will activate at a rate determined by the downfall of raindrops.

The six-pack CD disc player is kept secure in the glove compartment, which makes the available storage space for the owner's man-

ual rather tight, but the trunk is enormous. I also noted another thoughtful feature in the trunk. Should there be need, either side of the rear seat backrest lowers by simply engaging a lever conveniently located within easy reach of the deck lid. There is a trunk lockout button in the glove compartment when valet parking.

These may seem like small insignificant features considering this is an expensive luxury sedan, but it's loaded with such amenities. You have to see it and drive it to appreciate and understand them. But beware of the downside: leaving it.

Infiniti

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larger, with a 4.1-inch overall length increase (from 189.6 inches to 193.7 inches) and a wheelbase that has been increased two inches from 106.3 to 108.3 inches.

All-new body panels provide a luxurious shape with muscular overtones. A new chrome grille sets off the car's appearance.

Fog lights also combined function and style, providing the I30 with an aggressive yet subtle look.

Probably the greatest difference between the old and new models is the rear end. It features a new tail-light design, new license plate holds and is finished off with dual tip exhaust outlet.

Green tinted heat- and UV light-reducing glass is featured in the large, restyled greenhouse. Both the front and rear windshields have steeper rake than the earlier I30 and the side windows have been revised to provide a panoramic view.

Sporty overtones are provided the base I30 with 16-inch wheels while the Touring model gets 17-inch wheels.

Described by Ward's as "the best V-6 available in the U.S. at any price," the car boasts refinements to the powerplant such as new intake and exhaust manifolds, Nissan Variable Induction System (NVIS) air intake control with a plastic intake collector, new equal length exhaust pipes and a new variable-capacity muffler adopted from the performance Nissan Skyline GT-R.

These changes helped increase the engine's power by 37 horses.

Both the base and Touring model I30s come standard with a 4-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission, strengthened to support the engine's increased performance.

Driving the back roads in posh Newport Beach provided a good test of the I30's performance on city streets, twisty mountain roads and California's new toll highways. The I30 has enough power to attract the attention of the highway patrol as one enthusiastic young woman journalists discovered to her dismay.

The innovative rear Multi-Link Beam suspension provides precise handling by minimizing camber change during cornering. It has been refined for the 2000-year model through use of thicker front and rear stabilizer bars, adoption of larger, softer trailing link bushings and relocation of the system's unique lateral link to behind the rear beam.

Stopping power has not been ignored as the I30 sports 4-wheel disc brakes with bigger rotors, and standard 4-channel/4-sensor Anti-Lock Braking system (ABS).

We were particularly impressed with the refined engine-speed sensitive power rack-and-pinion steering. It provided excellent road feedback on all road surfaces. It uses the same computer controls as does Infiniti's flagship Q45.

A limited-slip differential is standard on Touring models and optional on the base car. Traction control is an option on both models.

The interior provides an excellent combination of luxury and roominess. Versus the previous generation, the 2000 model provides 2.4 additional cubic feet of passenger space. Front seat headroom and front legroom have been increased. The rear leg room has been increased by nearly two inches and trunk capacity is up to 14.9 cubic feet.

Eight-way power is provided for the driver's seat and the front passenger receives 4-way power controls.

A 60/40 split fold down rear seat provides additional storage room.

Phelps

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should you be involved in an accident or are stopped by a police officer. If you are found to be completely or partially at fault for an accident, your liability coverage will protect you from claims for damages up to your policy limit.

Liability Insurance

Liability insurance comes in two coverages, bodily injury and property damage. Bodily injury covers you for injuries to other people and property damage covers you for damage to the property of others. In addition, your liability coverage will pay attorney fees and court costs should you be sued.

The minimum coverage limit required by law is \$15,000 per person, \$30,000 per accident for bodily injury and \$5,000 for property damage per accident, (15/30 & 5). With a quick reflection on the cost of auto body repairs and medical expenses, you do not need to be an accountant to realize that a medium-sized bumper bender with a late model car and someone injured could exhaust a minimum policy and leave you in serious financial trouble.

If you have a good driving record a few more dollars can dramatically increase your protection. I recommend at least \$100,000/300,000 bodily injury and \$50,000 property damage. You should always have sufficiently high limits to cover your assets.

Shop around

A small number of companies offer single limit policies which provide an amount of coverage per accident for all liability. I recommend that you shop around for the best price. In the future, I will cover the different ways insurance companies are organized to handle claims and the pros and cons of each type.

However, I strongly suggest that you only consider companies licensed to sell in the State of California and that are enrolled in the California Insurance Guaranty Association usually referred to as CIGA. CIGA provides protection for you if your insurance company goes bankrupt.

This is not likely to happen with the major companies. However, if you are buying insurance from an independent agent and he/she wants to place you with a company that you have never heard of, beware! Ask the agent if the company is licensed in

California and is a CIGA member. Check with the Department of Insurance at 800-927-4357.

Agents are supposed to advise you in writing that the company they plan to place you in is not licensed in California, but they do not have to spell out the consequences.

Over the years, I have had many calls from people whose car was smashed by a hit and run driver or who themselves caused an accident. When they went to report the claims they found that the claims office phone number was disconnected with no forwarding number. If the agent that sold them the policy is still around his/her response was something like that is the only number I have for them.

I am an independent agent and I do not work for them. Sorry, Click. Dial tone. A call to the Department of Insurance gave them no help, but the consolation that they were not alone.

Numerous others had complained only to be told that the Department of Insurance can do nothing to help with an unlicensed, out of state, sometimes out of country, insurance company.

At this point, you will have an increasing discomfort in your stomach as you realize that, despite the premiums you paid for collision or liability coverage, you will now have to pay to repair or replace your car that was damaged by a hit and run driver or you will have to pay for the property damage and injury claim arising out of the stop sign you did not see while you were dialing on your cell phone.

Confirming to these callers that there's nothing I could do for them has been the least enjoyable part of my legal career.

California law holds the registered owner liable up to 15/30 & 5 for any damage caused by a vehicle even if the owner was not driving. Your insurance will cover you in most cases when you allow someone else to use your vehicle, except if a specific person is excluded in your policy.

Hey, where's my car?

If your car is stolen, report it to the police immediately. You are generally not responsible for damage done by your stolen vehicle. If they do not catch the thief and you did not report it and you fit the description of the person fleeing the scene of the accident, you may have serious problems with your insurance company, not to mention the police.

If you loan your car to someone you know is drunk, someone without a license or under any other circum-

stance where a reasonable person would consider it dangerous to loan a vehicle, you may be liable for all damages caused by your vehicle and your insurance company may deny coverage. You may be liable for damages caused by a car you have sold if you have not formally notified DMV of the sale on the required form.

This happened to a former client of mine a few weeks ago. She sold her car to a private party a couple of months ago. On the day she called me she had received a letter from an insurance company stating that they were expecting payment from her for damages caused in a recent collision.

The collision involved the vehicle she had sold and occurred a month after the sale. The insurance company was informed by DMV that my former client was listed as the registered owner.

They buyer had not re-registered the car and was driving it without insurance. My former client had sent DMV a Notice of Sale, but at first DMV could not find it and she had not kept a copy and obtained a receipt.

After further checking, DMV found it and she is off the hook. It is bad enough when you have to pay for damages you cause, but to have to pay for something you did not do is a disaster.

Your liability coverage may cover you and/or any named insured on your policy when driving someone else's vehicle. You should read your policy. If you are not sure about this or any other coverage, call your agent. If your agent says that you are covered, send your agent a letter confirming his advice and keep a copy of the letter with your policy.

If you drive carefully, loan your car responsibly, notify DMV when you transfer your vehicle, immediately call the police if your car is missing, and document your agent's policy interpretation, you will save yourself lots of grief and keep your insurance costs down.

If you have a question for Auto Law, please send it to Auto Law, c/o Richard Phelps, 436 14th Street, Suite 614, Oakland, CA 94612.

The information in this column is for general educational purposes and should not be applied to particular circumstances without professional help.

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Escalade

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Under the hood you'll find a tough 5.7-liter V-8 engine at 225 horsepower and 330 ft/lbs of torque at 1,600 rpm. It is the largest and class and is comparable to a tank of the best gas.

Tree huggers may find the figures of 13 mpg city and 19 mpg highway, but they are a truck of this size and weight and that is BIG.

Our test model averaged 18 mpg. Even Marion, who is a little about the cost of gas, her head in disgust when she saw for a tank of the best gas.

If you expect to use it primarily for hauling the kids and their after school activities, it might be wise to consider one of these full-size luxury cars.

Even Cadillac's marketing department doesn't expect owners to lead off-road climbing rocks with this but they do expect them to tow large trailers and the Escalade is designed to tow up to 6,000 pounds and a lot of trailer or boat.

Coupled to V-8 is a smooth Hydramatic 4L60-E automatic transmission. A sophisticated electronic measure key operating including engine speed, the position and temperature of the correct gear.

The ride is civilized but it still reminds us we're in the wheel of a truck, not a car.

It surprised us that in the Escalade, Cadillac didn't add disc brakes at all. It provides disc brakes up front and brakes in the rear. All wheels included in the ABS system.

If your desire is to own a capable of going anywhere, any weather condition, you know in your heart you won't, and at the same time the luxury and price of Cadillac, you are a potential

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CHILD CARE needed for boy, 13, girl, 9. Drive to after school activities and home, prepare dinner. Light house-keeping, shopping. Experience, references, citizenship work permit, fluent English, own car. Start Sept. 1. Berkeley. \$10/hr. 15-20 hr/wk 4868013

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for medical office in Oakland. Telephone, filing, medical record keeping. Must be organized and able to do multiple tasks. Spanish speaking a plus. Fax resume to 510-839-1692.

OFFICE Assistant: Macintosh

fluent, typing necessary, friendly, casual work environment. Spanish speaking a plus. PT, \$12/hr. Call 510-531-1703; or fax resume to 510-531-0427.

OFFICE Assistant: Part-time

permanent (20 hrs/week) Assistant to Office manager and chiropractor. Holistic chiropractic practice, North Oakland/ Rockledge. Hours flexible, must be able to work some evenings, energetic, enjoy working with people, strong marketing ability, insurance billing, patient scheduling, book-keeping and computer skills. Must be physically fit, have own car, surrogable, able to act as surrogate, have ability to work some evenings. Holistic practice. Resume: 5273 College Ave., Oakland, CA 94618. Fax: 510-652-5226.

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403 Help Wanted

RETAIL: Art gallery sales manager, needs experience, P/T MGR, supervise staff, inventory control, MAC, direct sales. Fax resume to 510-843-4502.

RETAIL: P/T Retail Sales position, weekends & some weekdays. Ask for Susan 339-6421.

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RETAIL Sales, small women's clothing store needs experienced sales associates. 3-4 days/week. Send resume or information to 1419 Solano Ave., Albany 94706.

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TEACHER

1. ASST. TEACHER PT for pre-school program, 2-3 yr olds. Monday-Friday 8:30-12:00. Some experience or EOE units required. \$10-11/hr DOE Start ASAP.

2. COOKING INST. for children P/T Tuesday afternoons 2-6 p.m. \$14-15/hr DOE Start Sept.

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TEACHER, After school program, P.E. Recreation or Education background with experience planning, leading K-8 group activities. Monday-Friday 2-6 p.m. \$10/hour plus benefits. Resume to Corpus Christi School, One Estates Drive, Piedmont, 94611.

403 Help Wanted

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REFRIGERATOR/ Freezer, White KitchenAid w/ice maker, 27 cubic ft. Winter-Chill but gold, gold seal compressor. \$300/ obo. 510-339-1698 ext.2

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715 Berkeley

716 Studios

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717 1 Bedroom

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\$525 KITCHEN, full bath, carpeted, utilities included. 451-564-7322

\$565 HARDWOODS, dining alcove, yard, parking, Indry, cats? Piedmont Ave. #136855-B. Homefinders 549-6450. Fee/ Guarantee.

\$625 ROCKRIDGE, utilities paid, parking, coin laundry. Coronado/ Broadway. #768808-B. Homefinders 549-6450. Fee/ Guarantee.

\$725 ADAMS Point, 368 Adams, 2 available, utilities included, hardwood floors, parking available. 510-334-5353

\$775 CHINA HILL Very large studio with separate dining area in grand 1920's building. Quiet, bright, top floor, 9 closets, bay windows, close to Garden. 510-465-8774.

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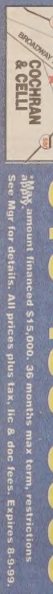
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